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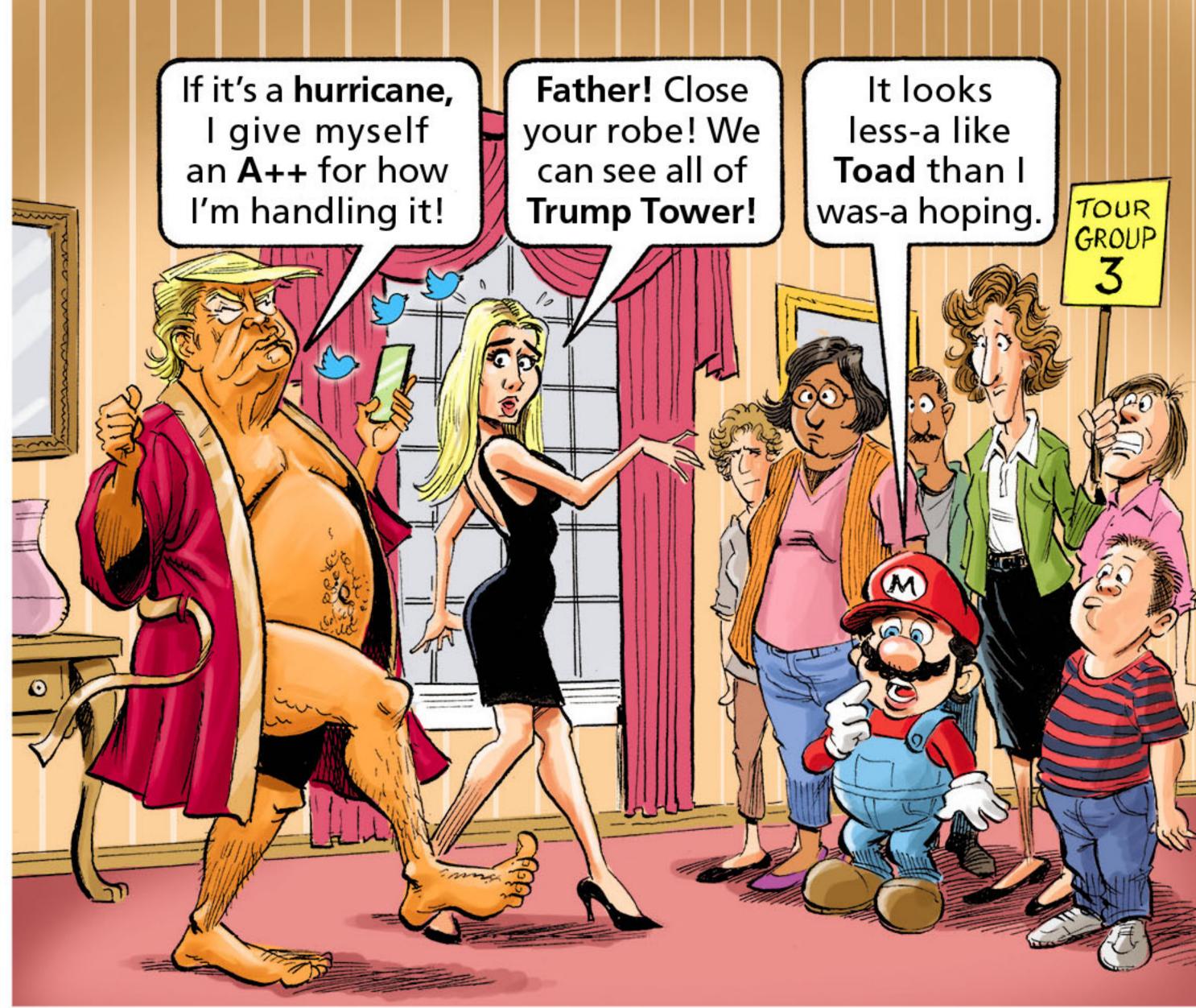
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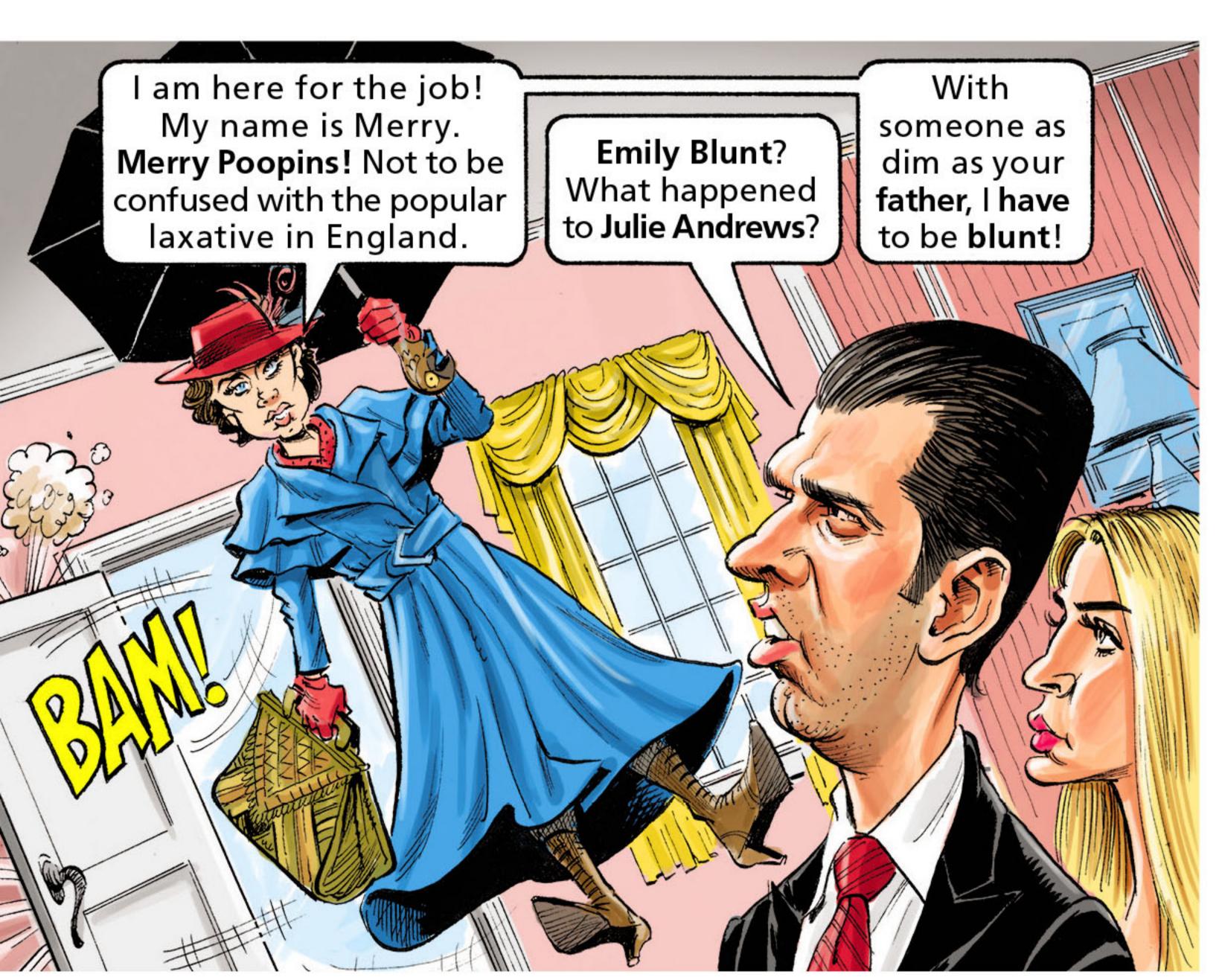
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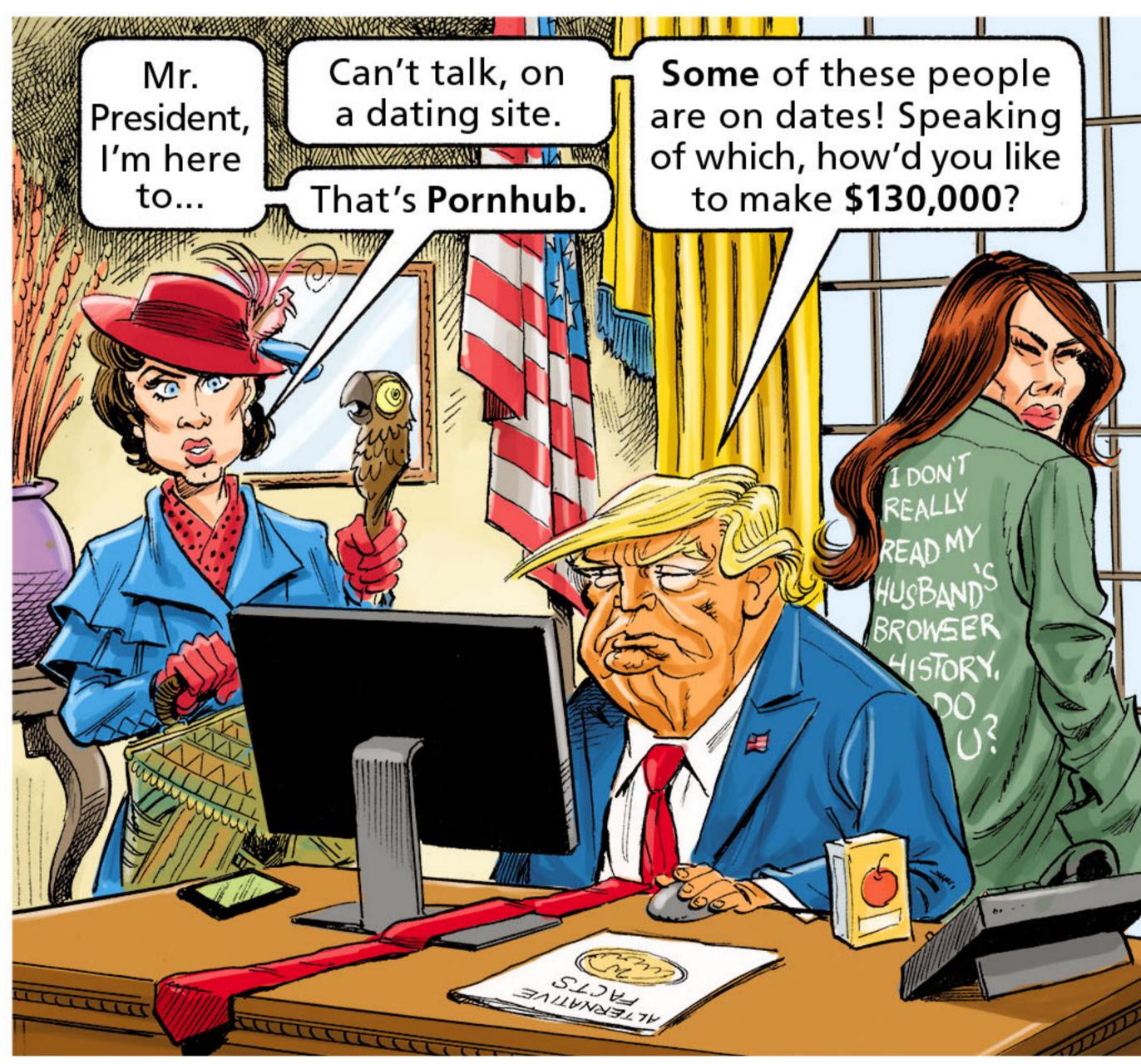
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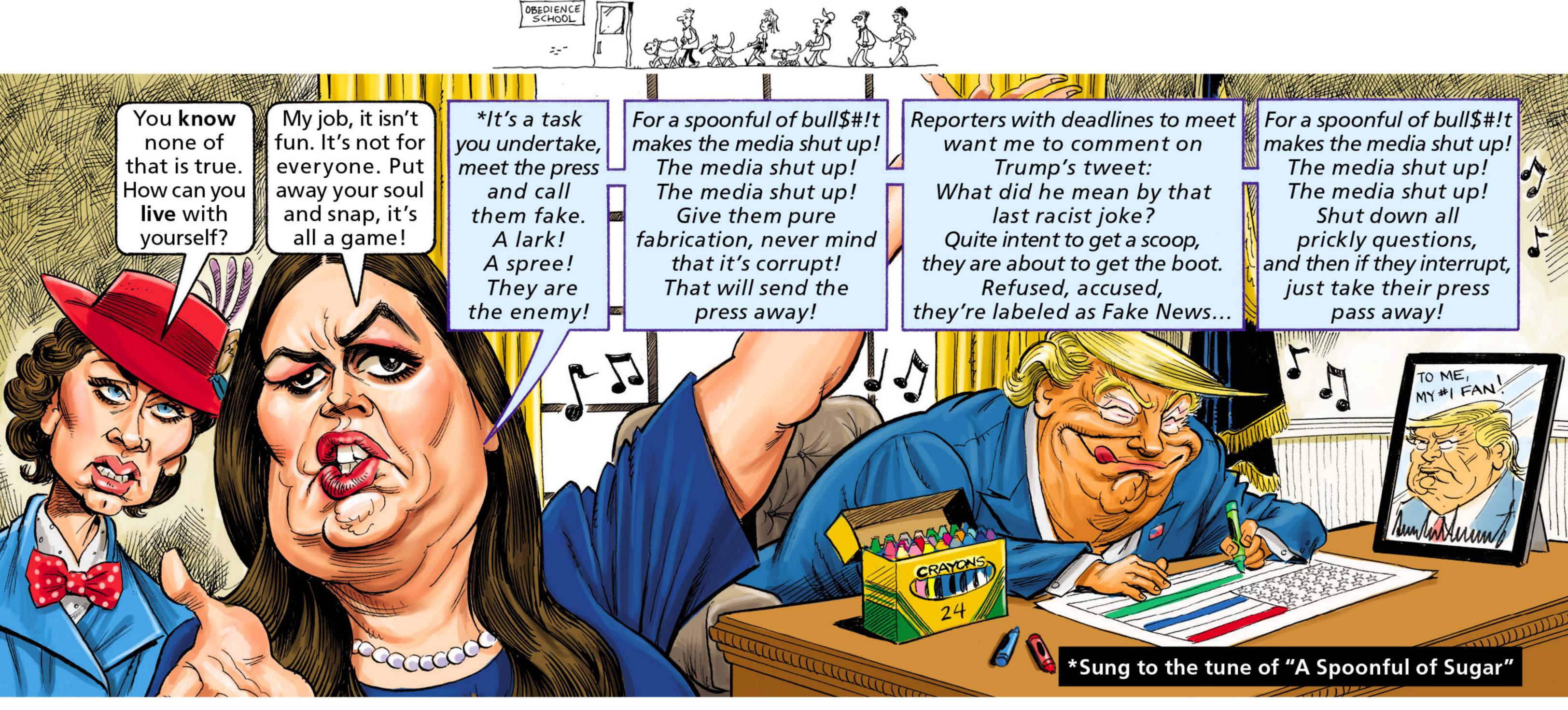








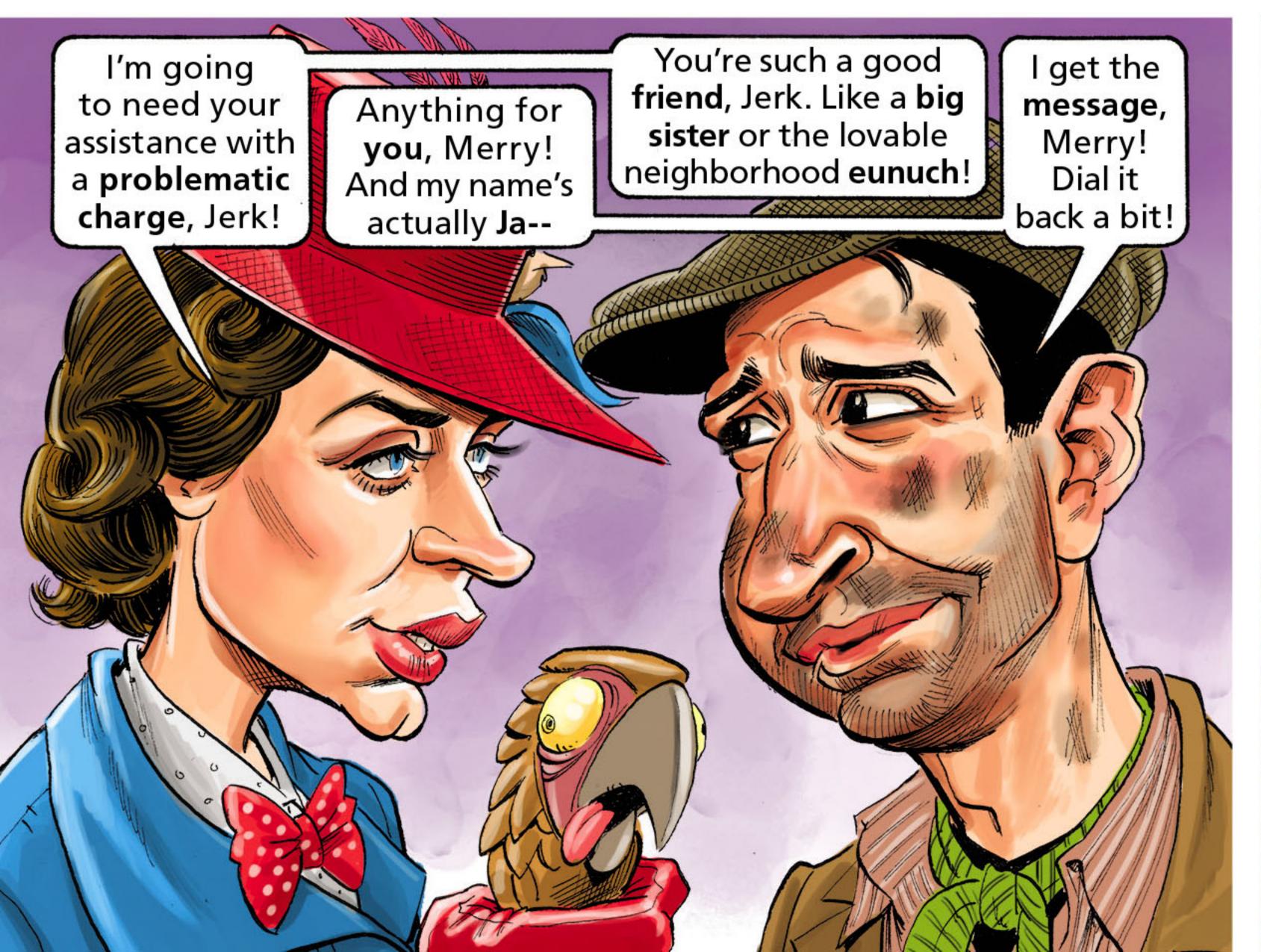




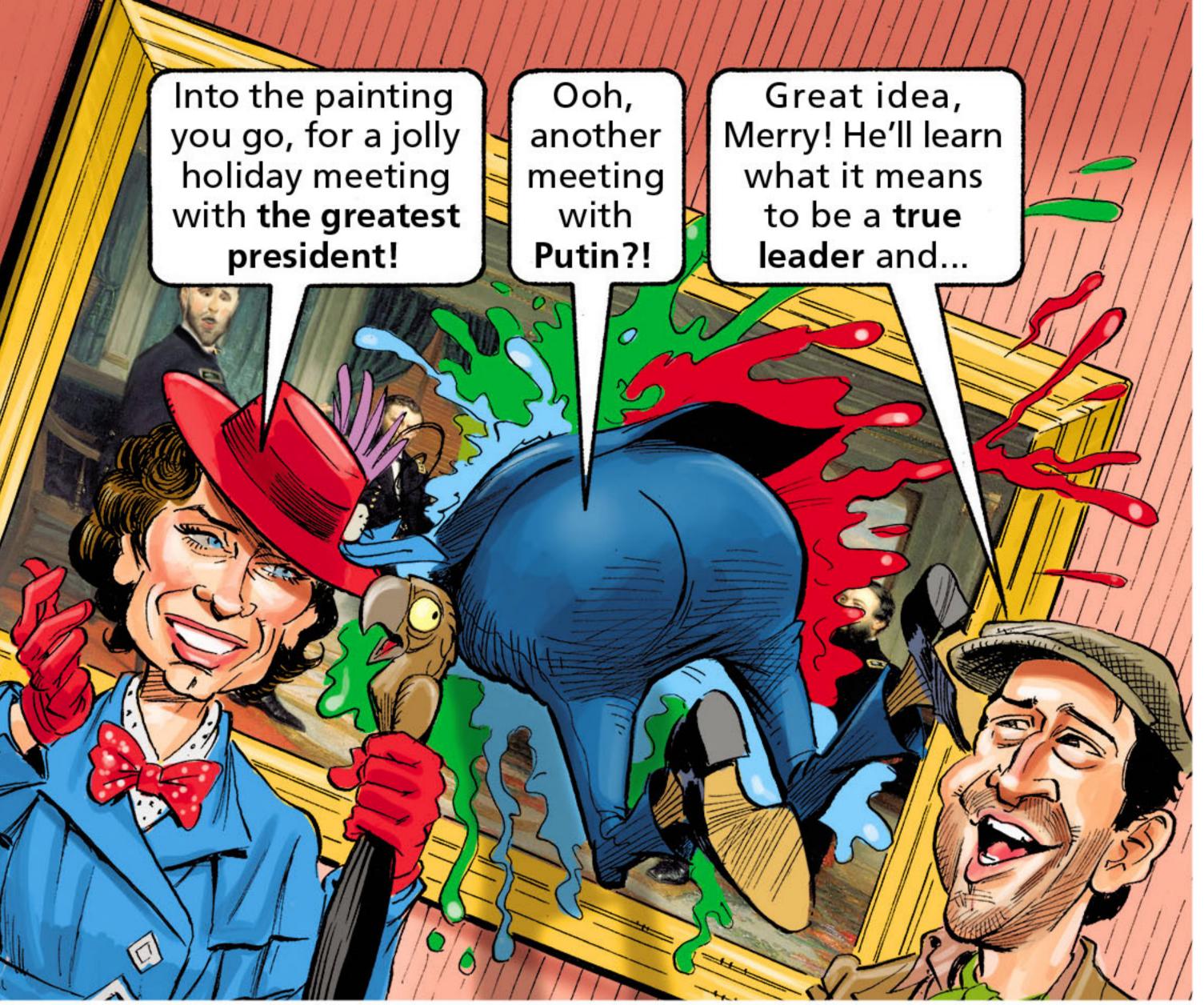




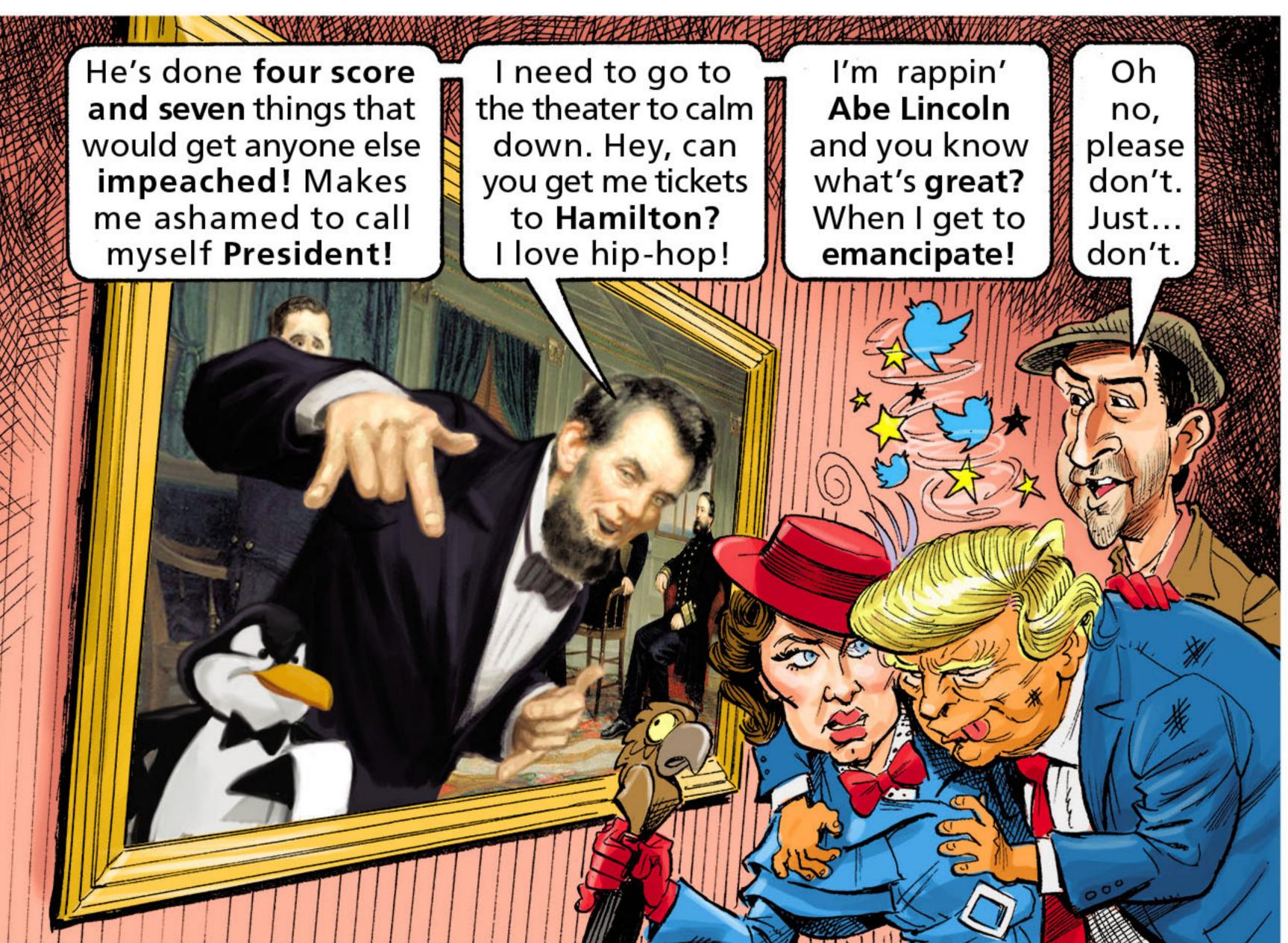










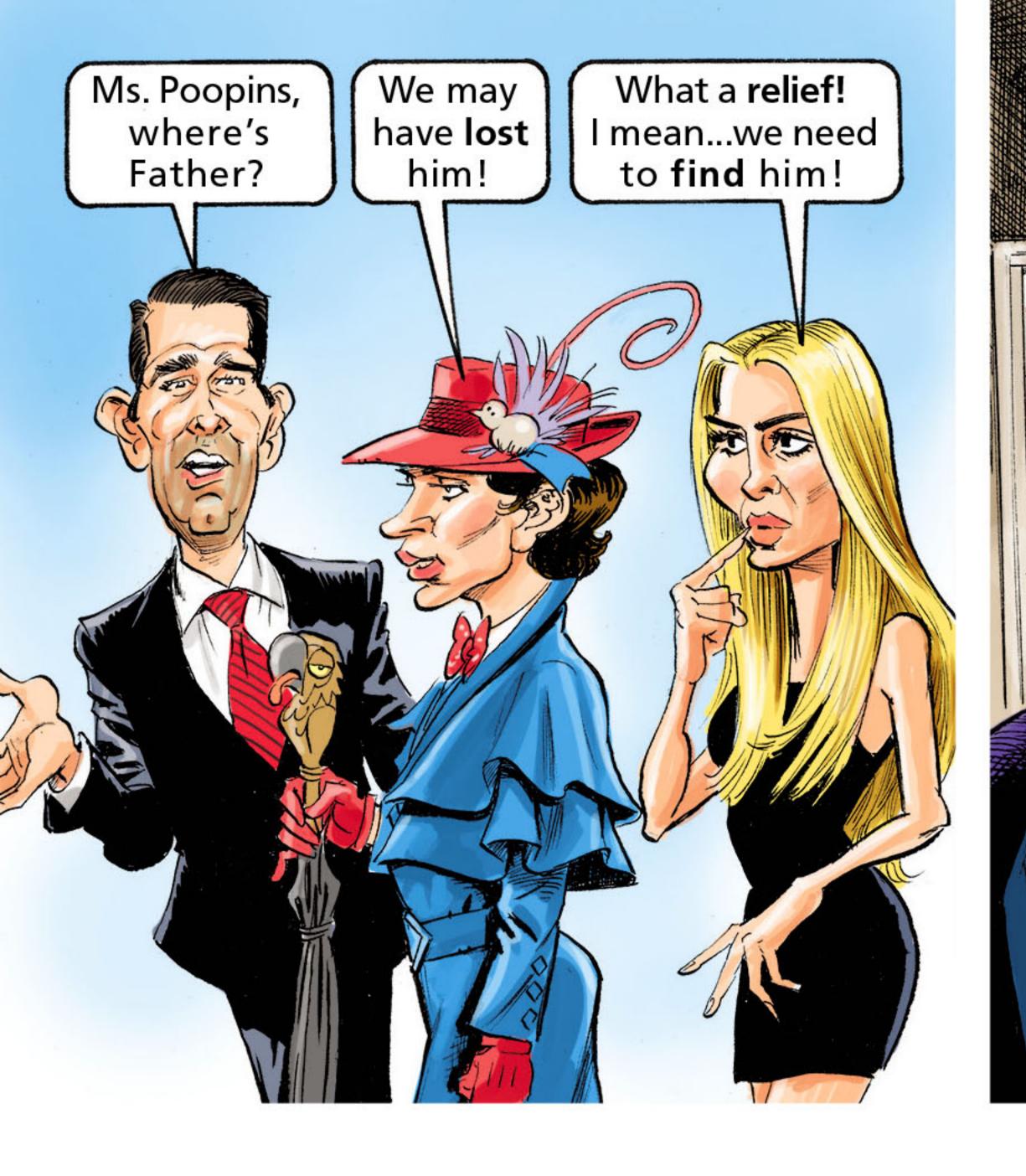


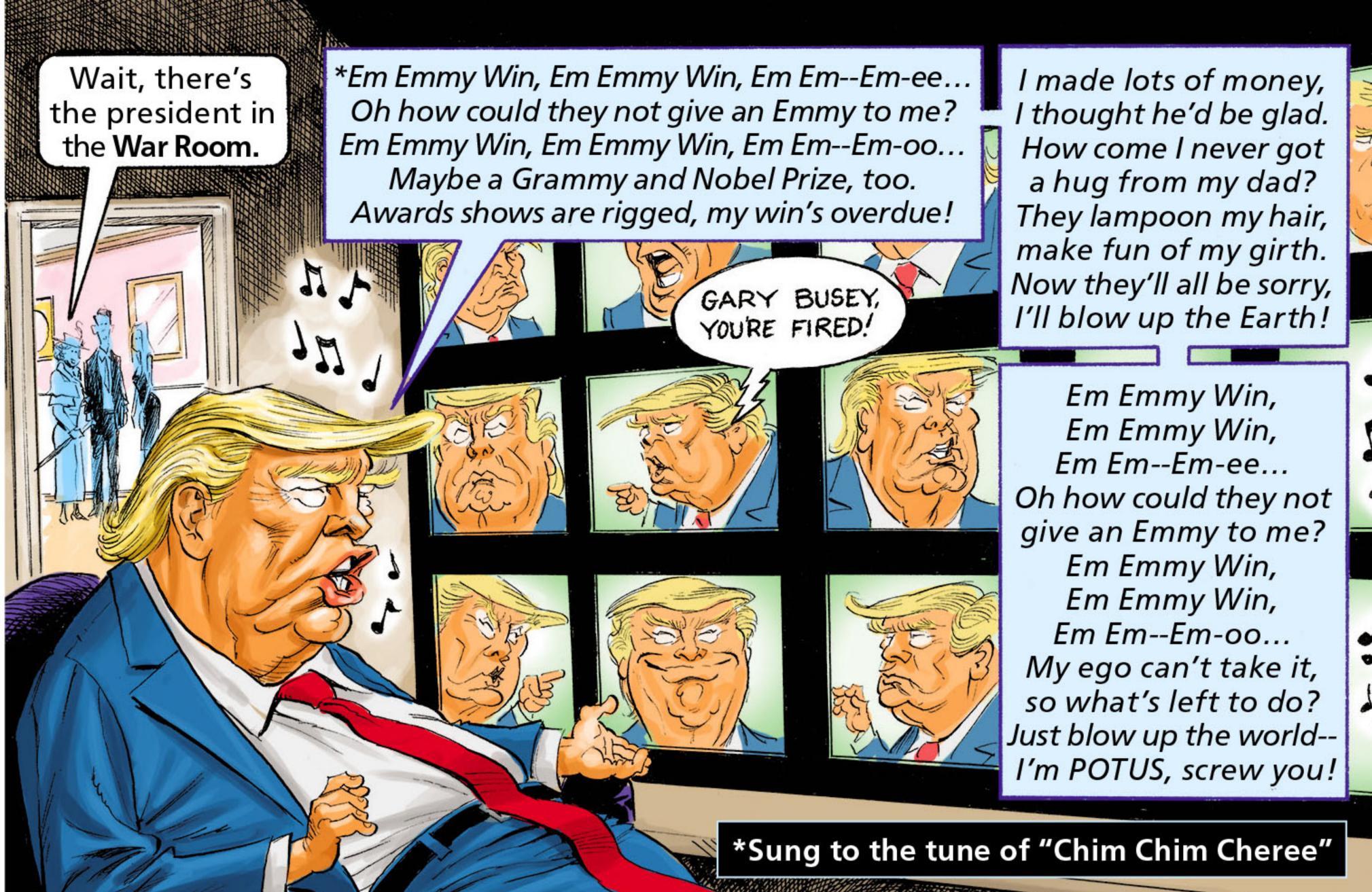






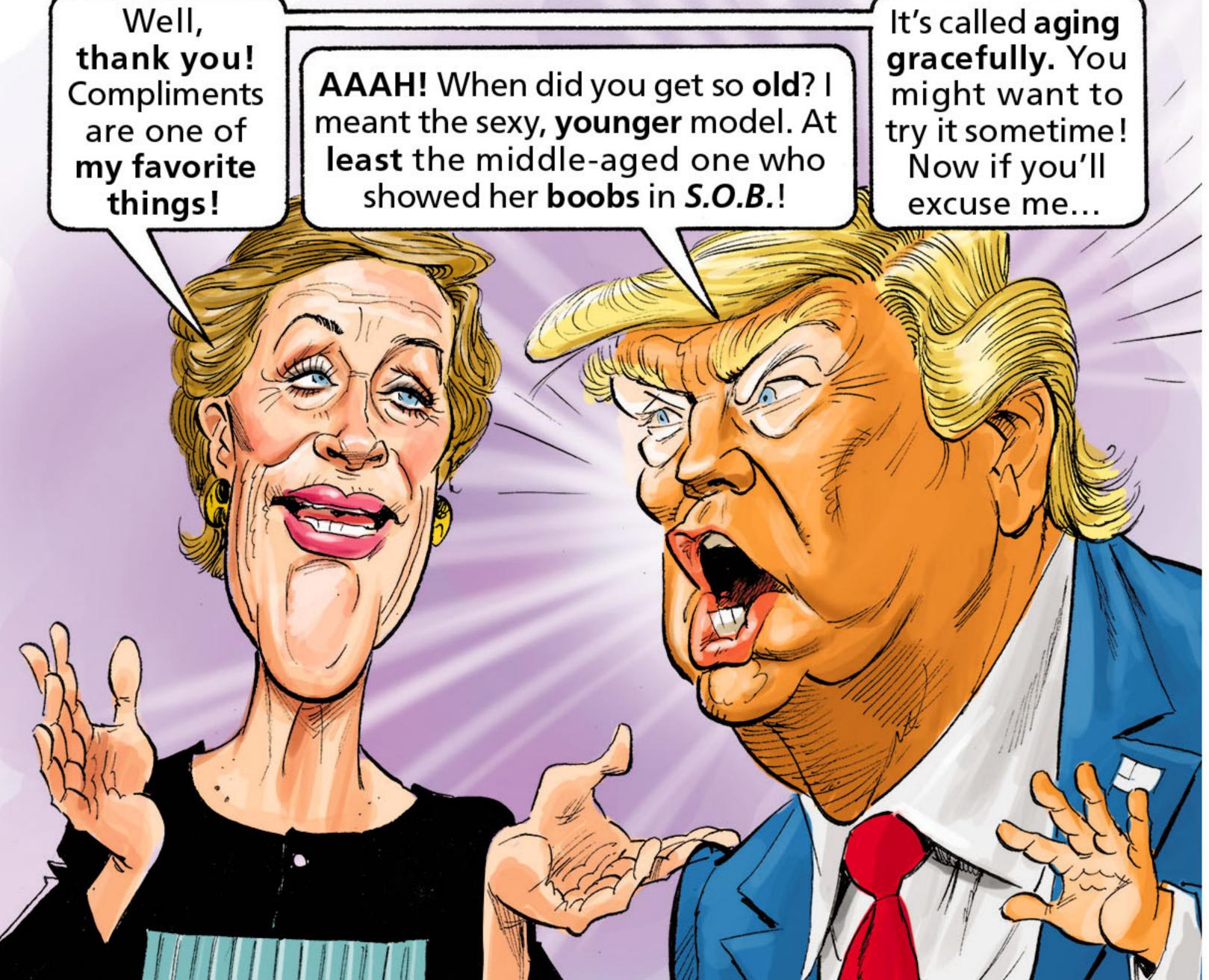


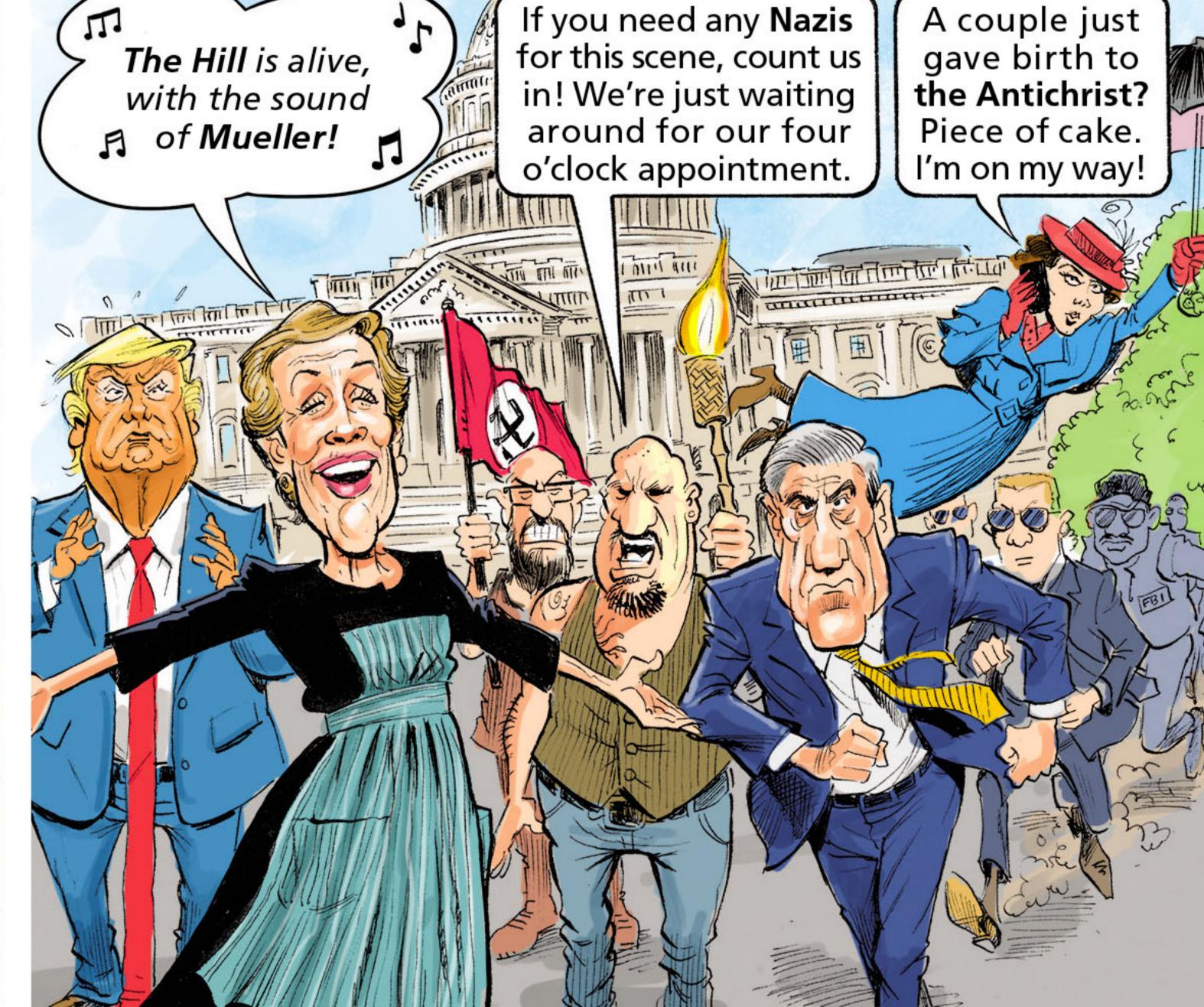




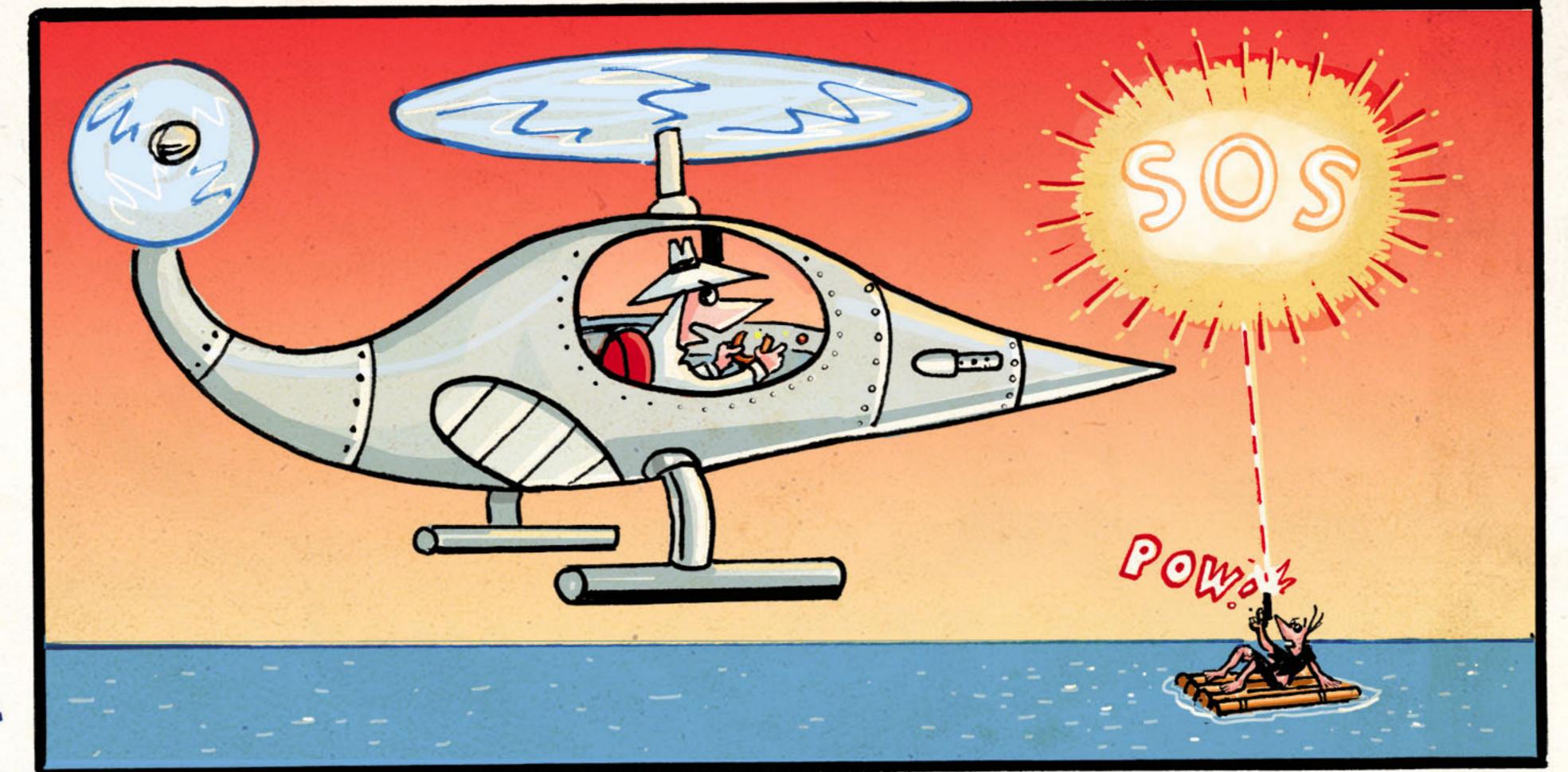


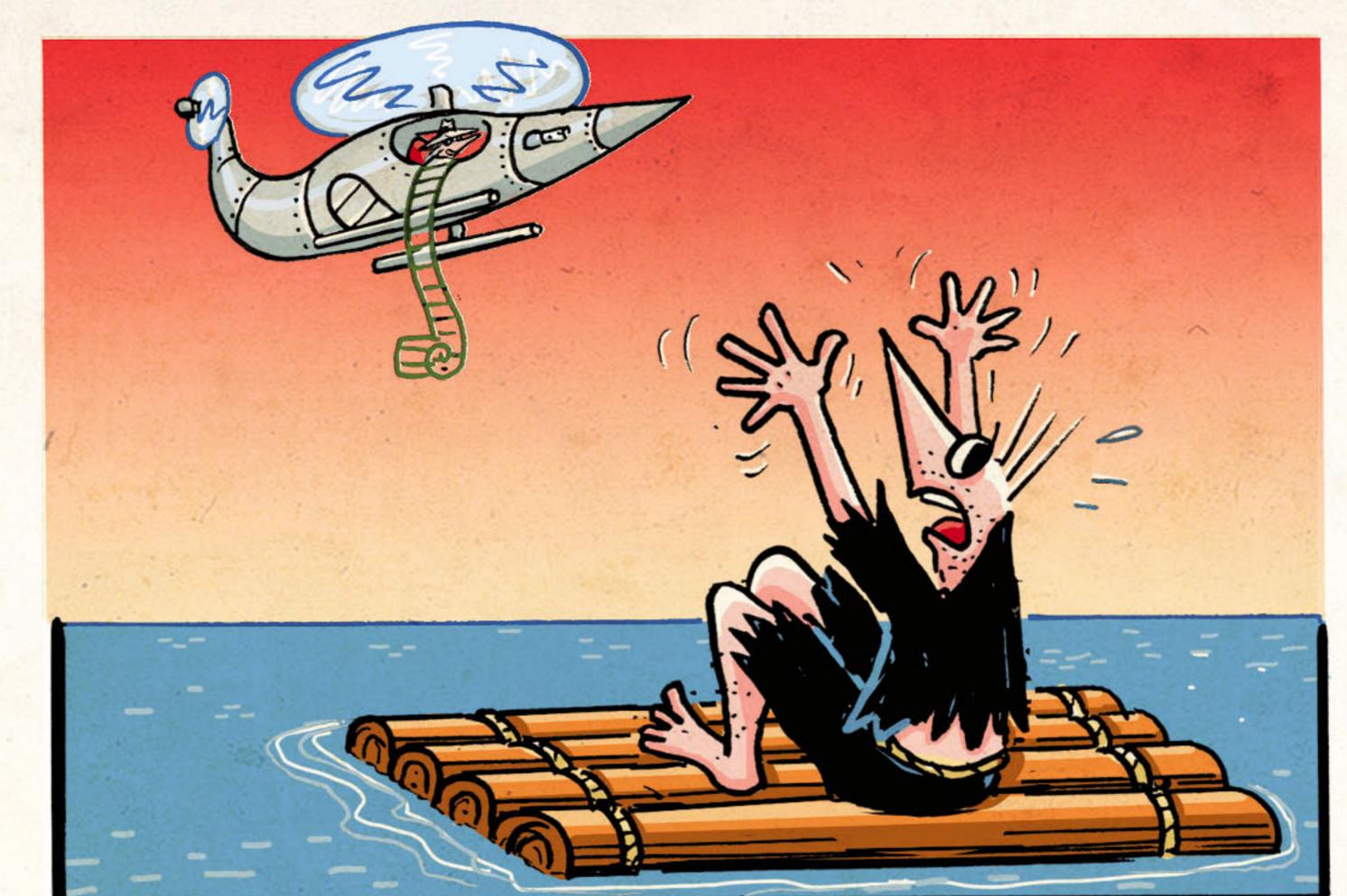


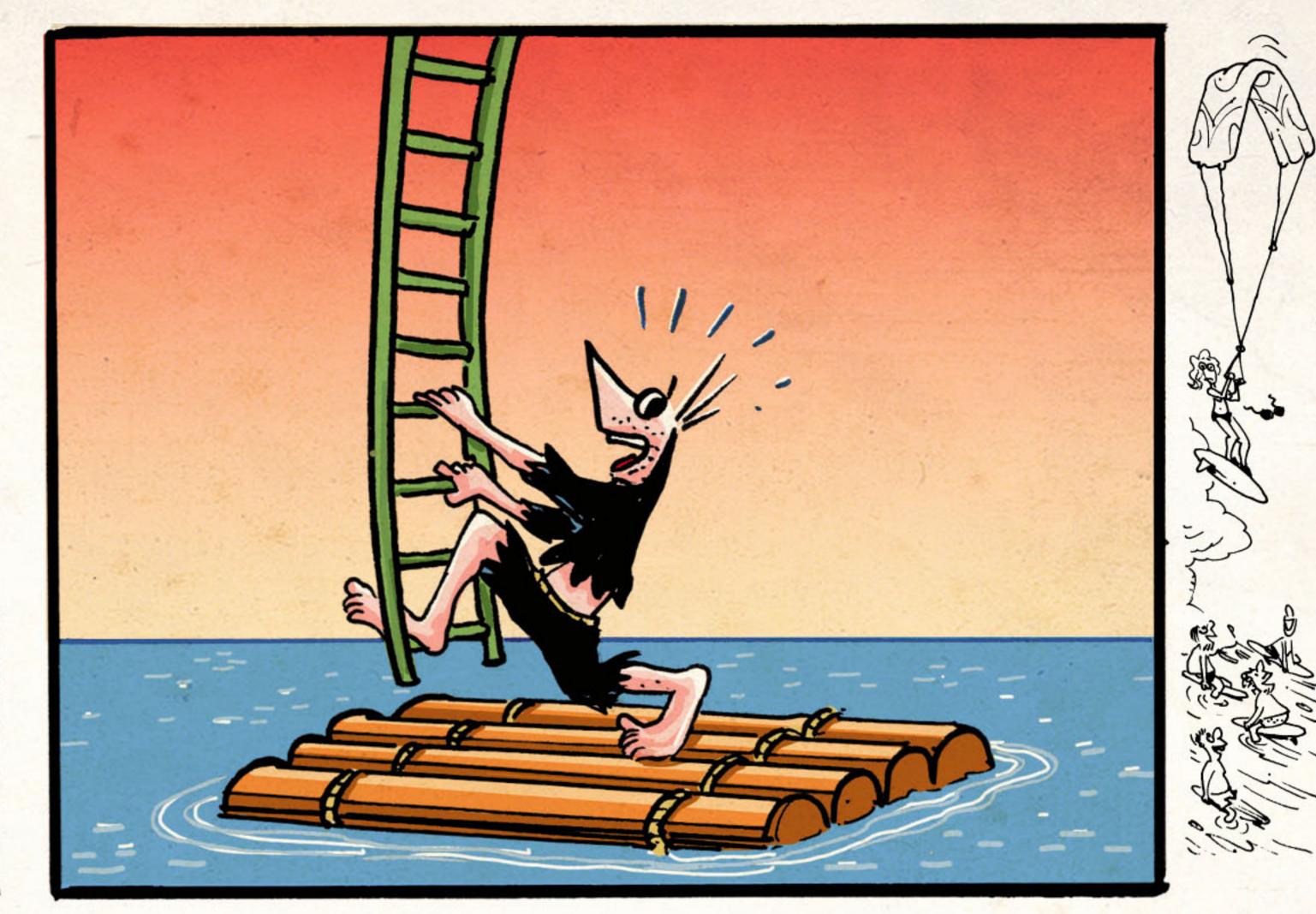


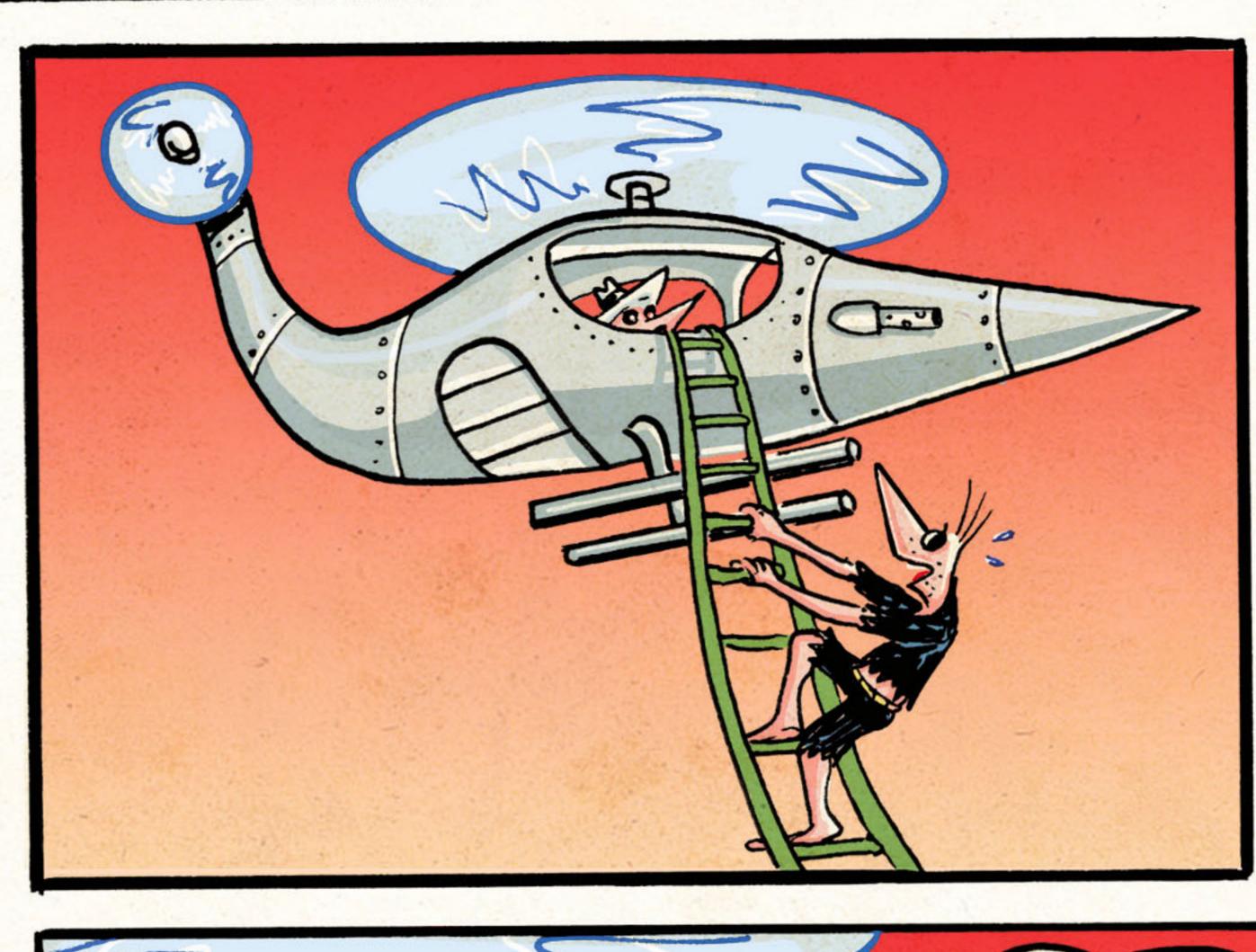


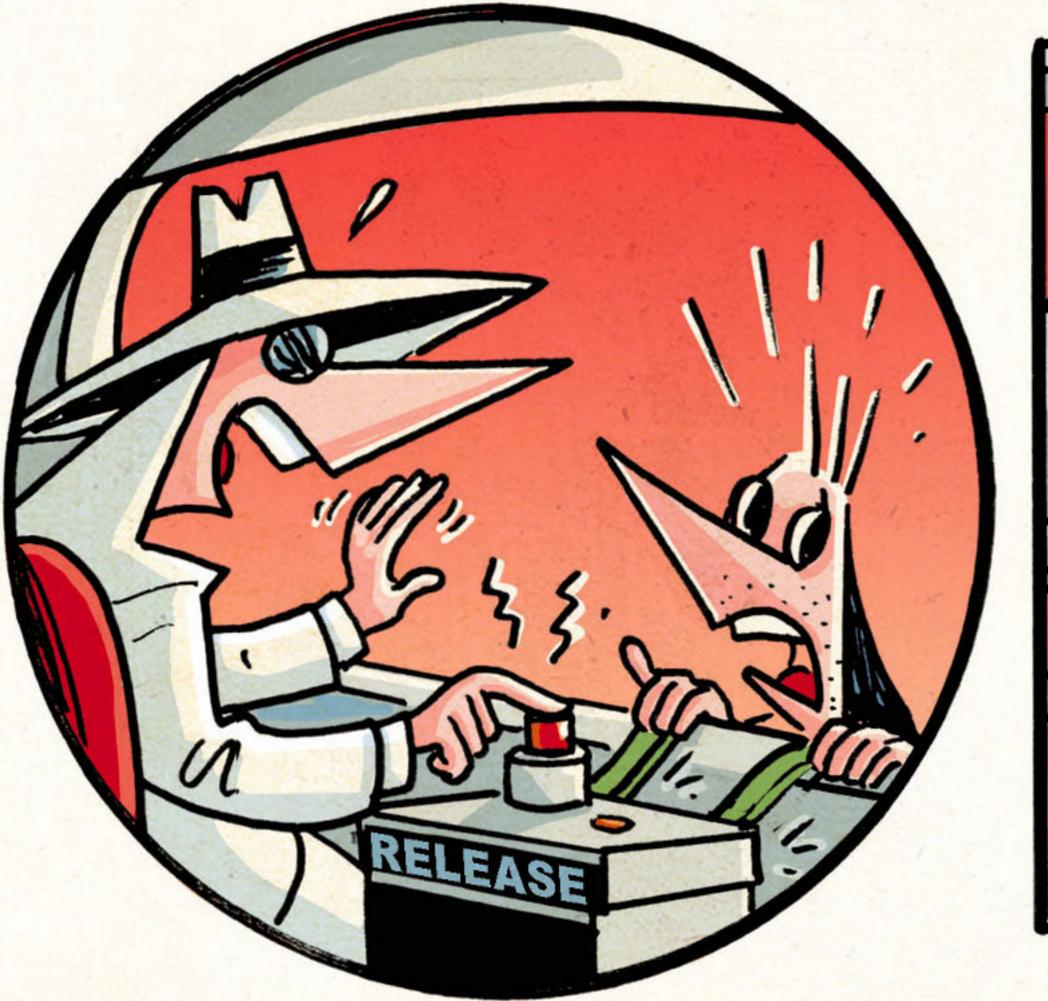


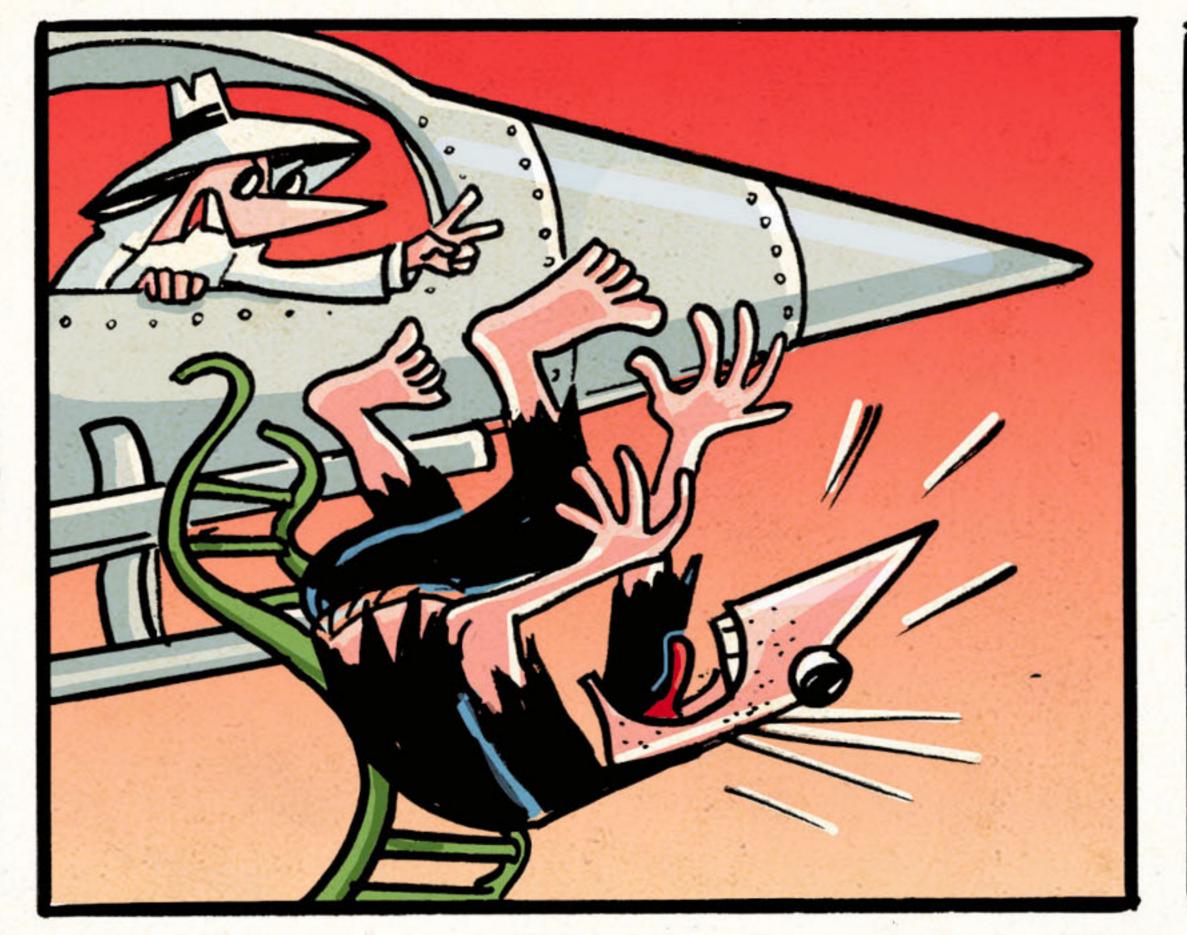


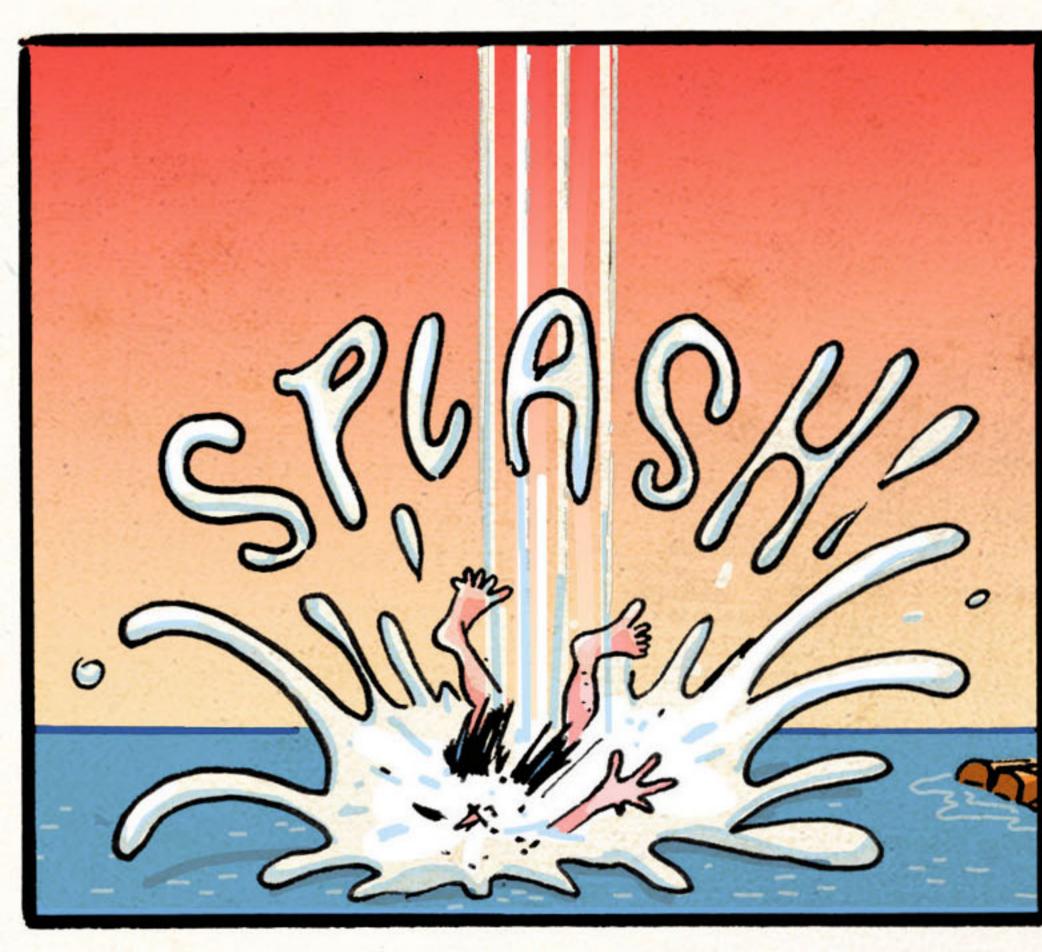


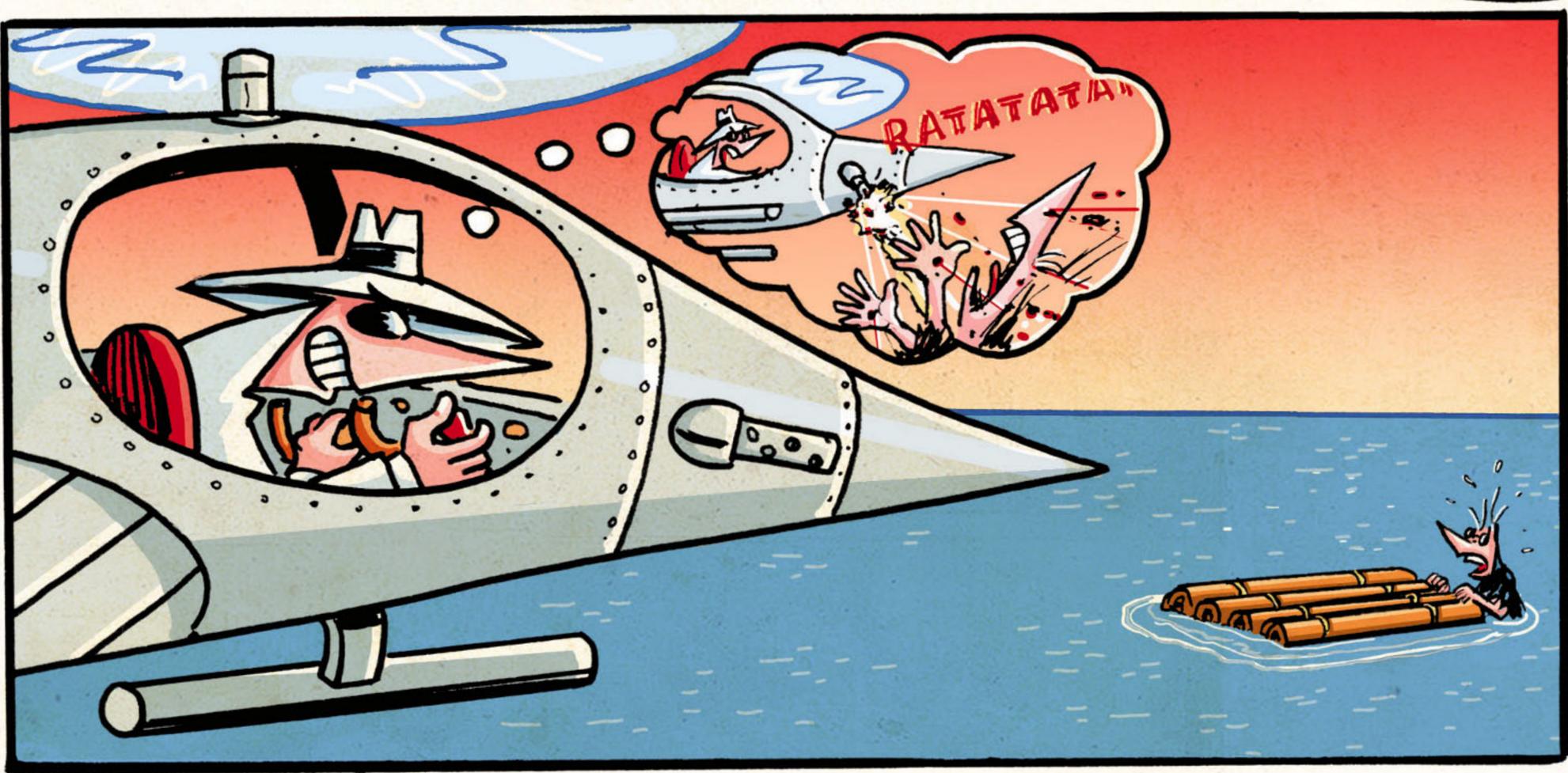


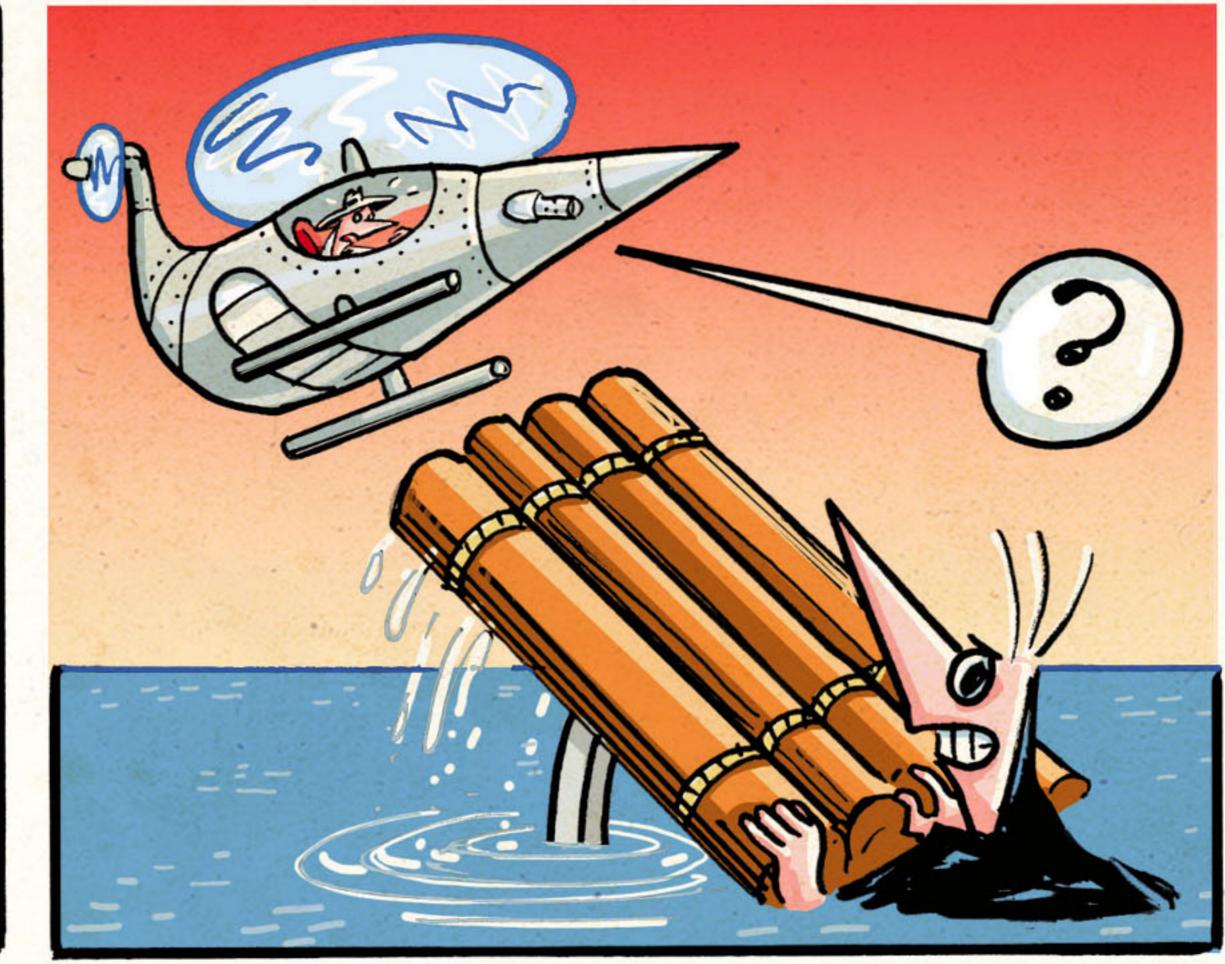


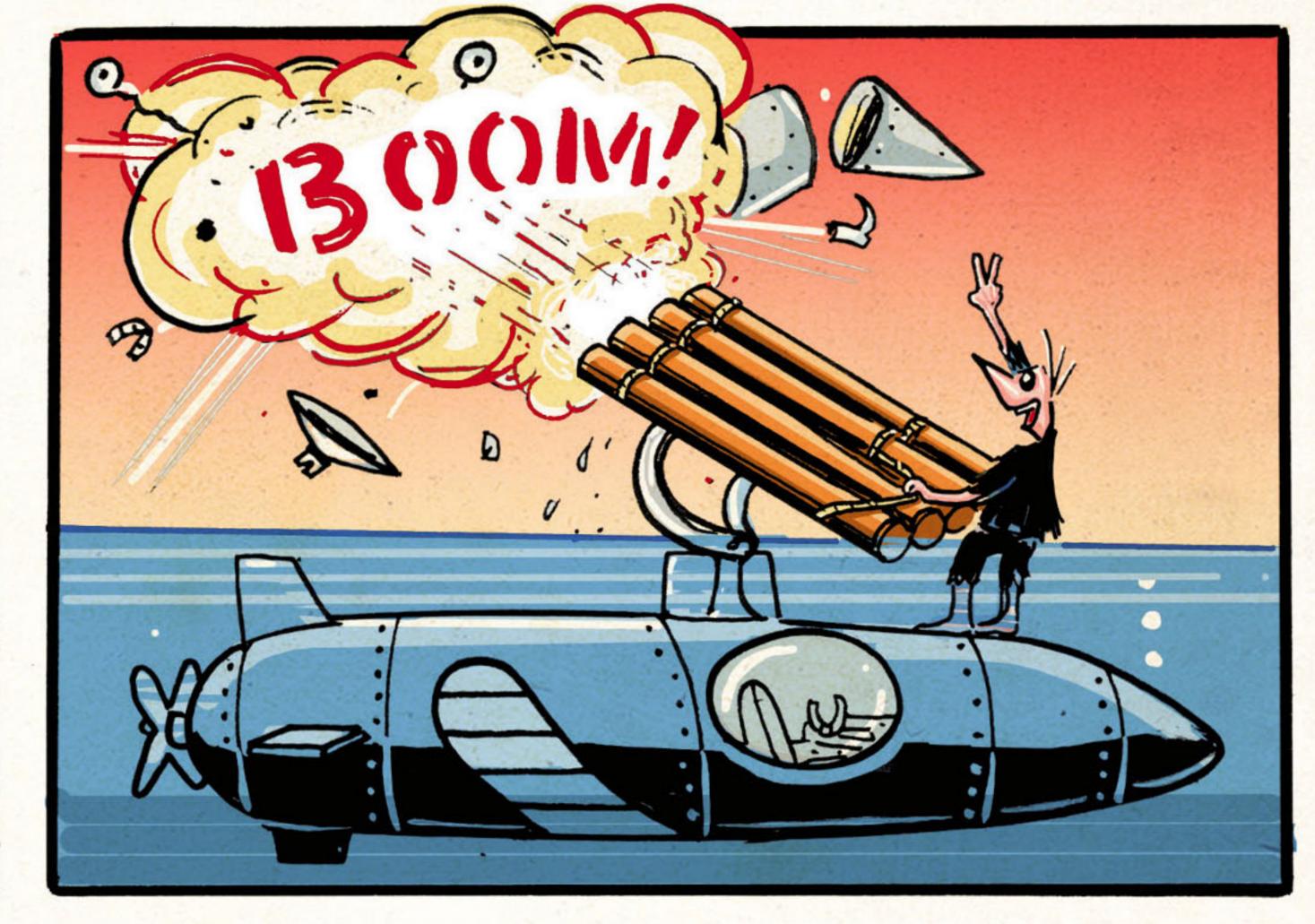






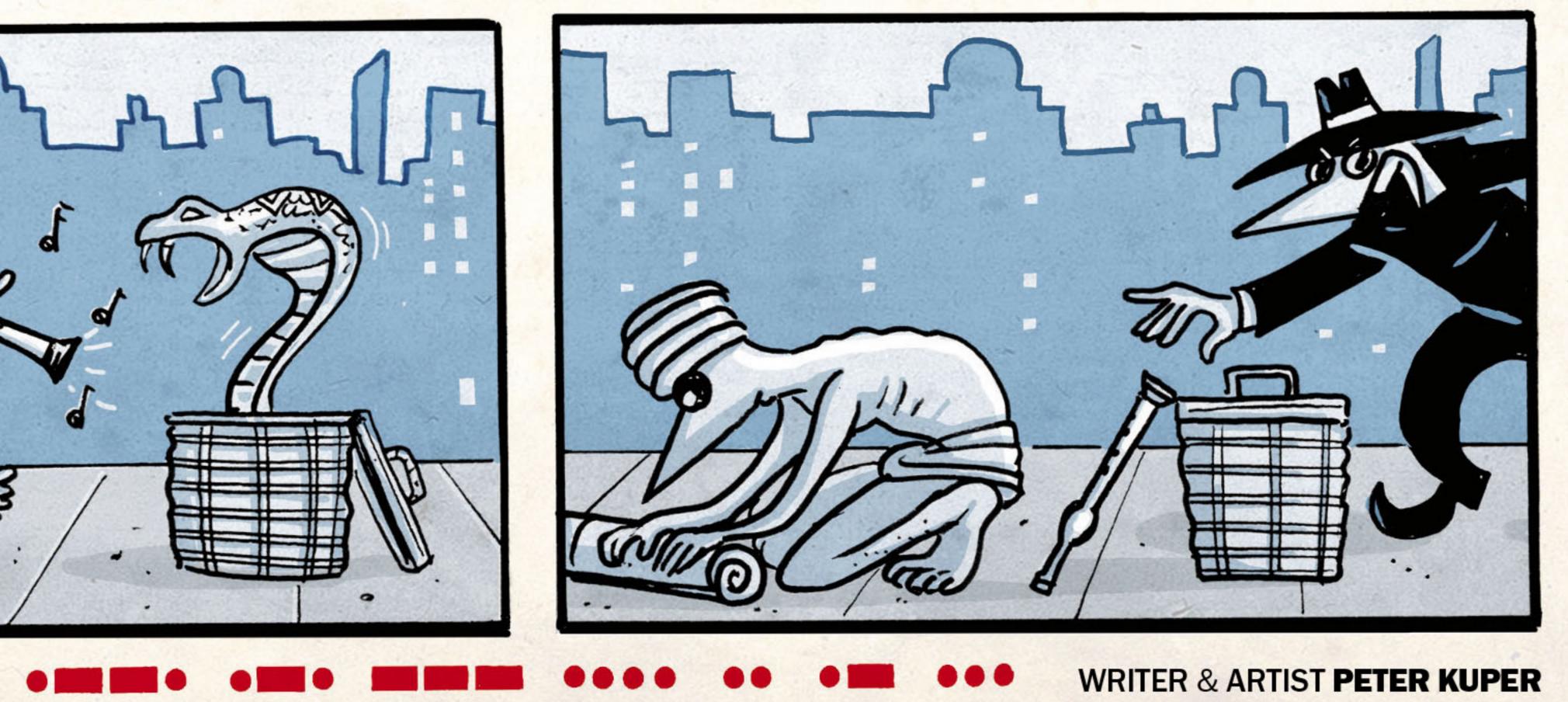
















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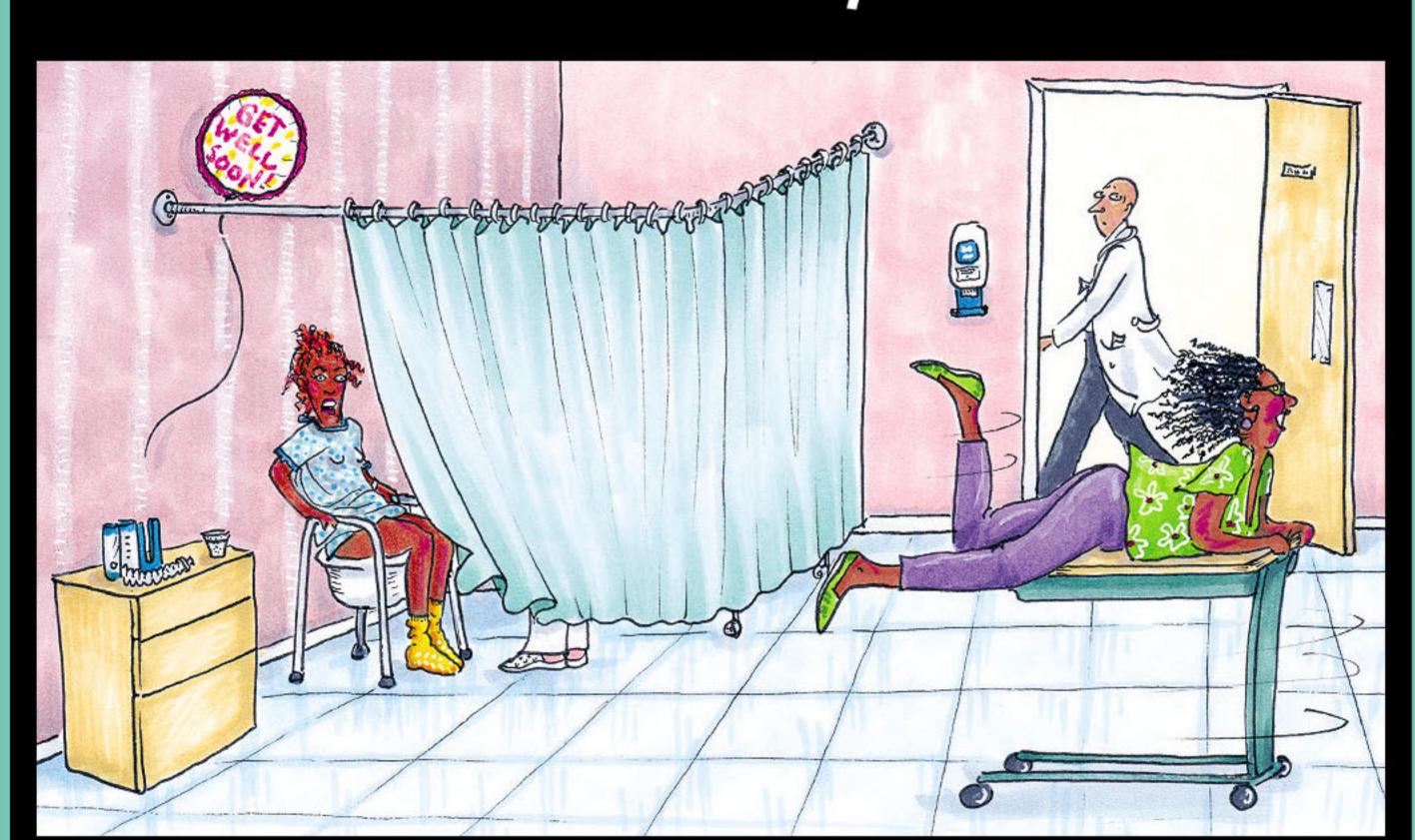
The smells, the sickness, the tubes stuck in the people, the hospital. What's worse than being a patient? Visiting, that's what. Well, that's if you're the visitor and you're the kind of person who would rather get abducted by circus people than go see Granny at St. Harriet's. But, we're here for you, helping you to make lemonade out of urine-filled bags, and lending you some tips on making the best of bad things with this month's installment, so...

do You smell that!?! **Enjoy the** Visgusting! freedom of farting as often as you please, because no one will assume it's you.

Oh God, it must be synchronized bedpan hour,

IIU3PIH **WRITER & ARTIST TERESA BURNS PARKHURST**



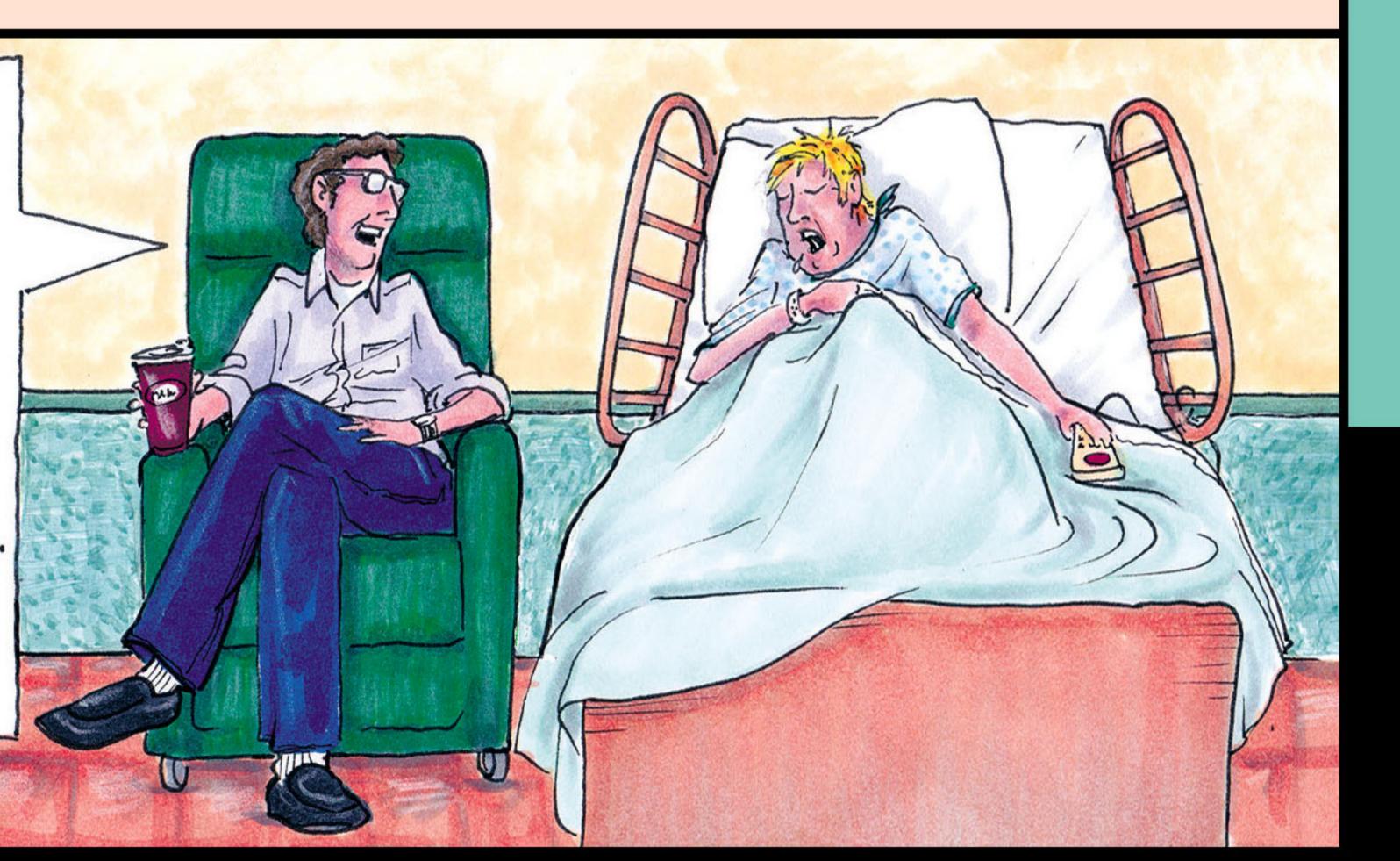


Instead of pretending those curtains provide any privacy, just join in on conversations with the roommate.

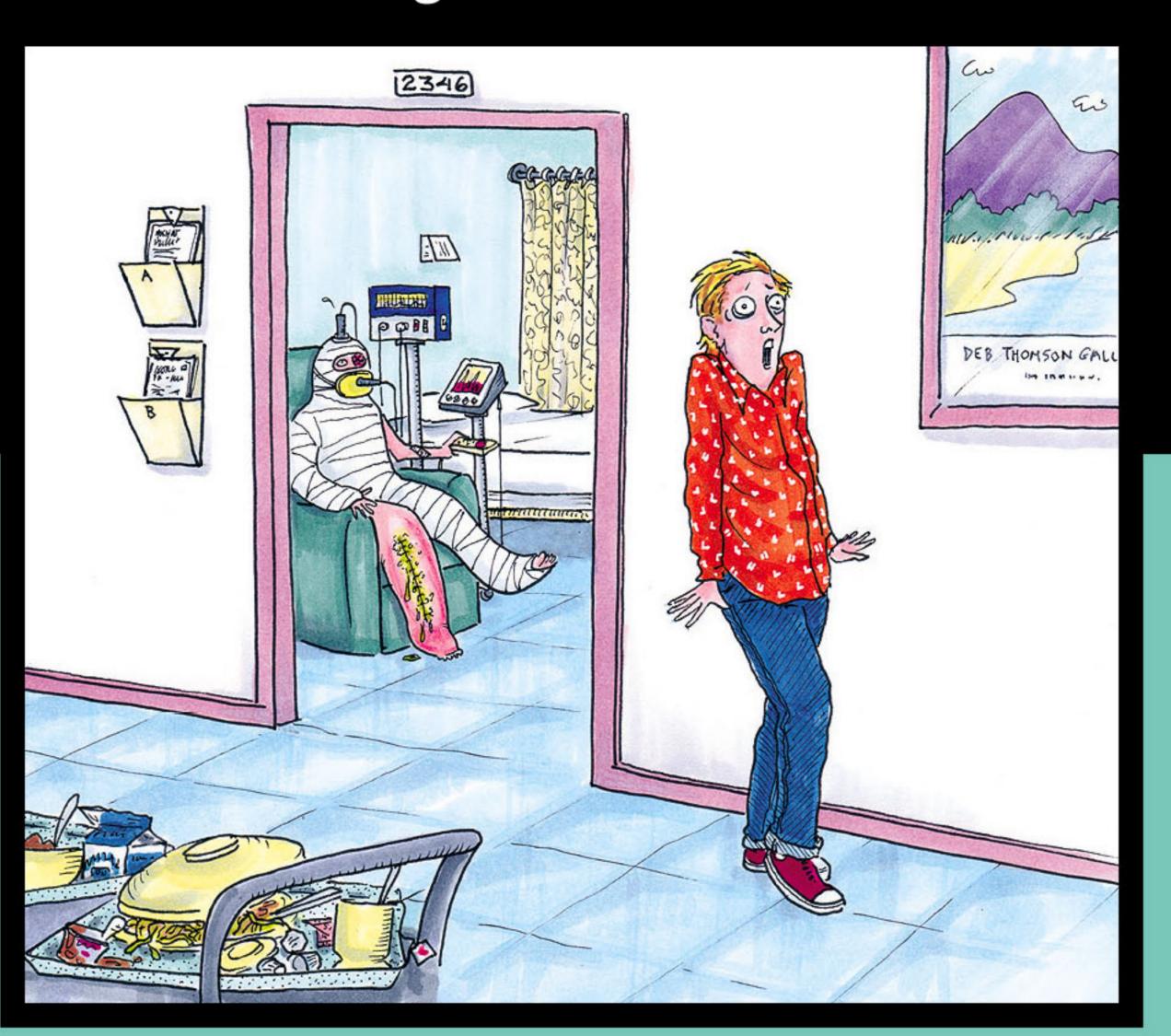


When your friend or relative nods off, as they inevitably will, say things to them you normally wouldn't.

You know. I cannot stand that ever-present strand of spit connected to Your Lips that stretches every time When You tell me Your golf scores. Oh, and Ive never met anyone with worse Rhythm.



Receive terrifying thrills by looking into other rooms.



While the patient enjoys the take-out meal you kindly supplied, record yourself doing a cooking show with what the hospital passes off as dinner.



Enjoy a good game of Guess That Smell!

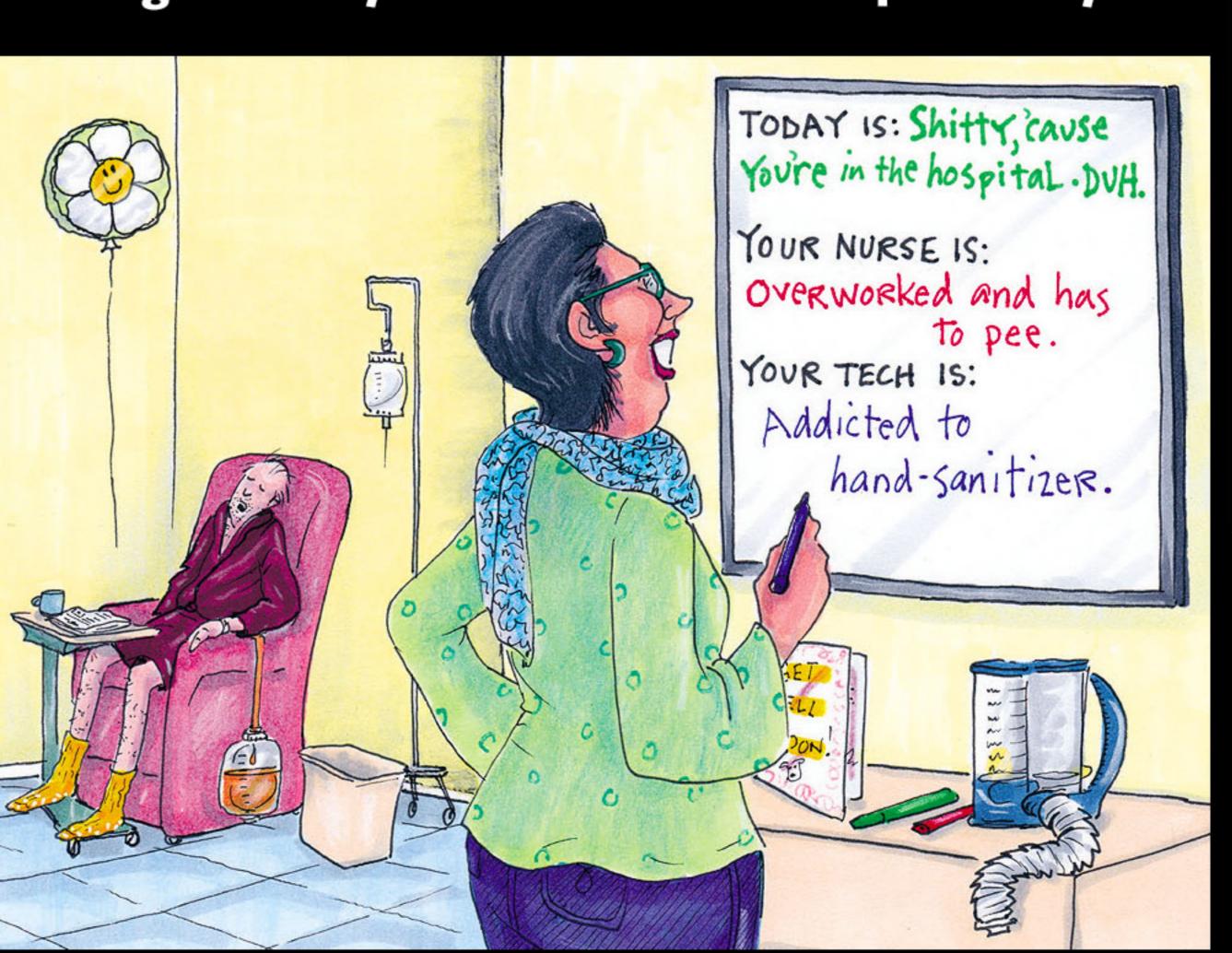








Change the dry-erase board until it pleases you.



Bring along a roll of duct tape and make some extra cash.



ANDUCES HOTO YOU WON'T REGRETTAKING

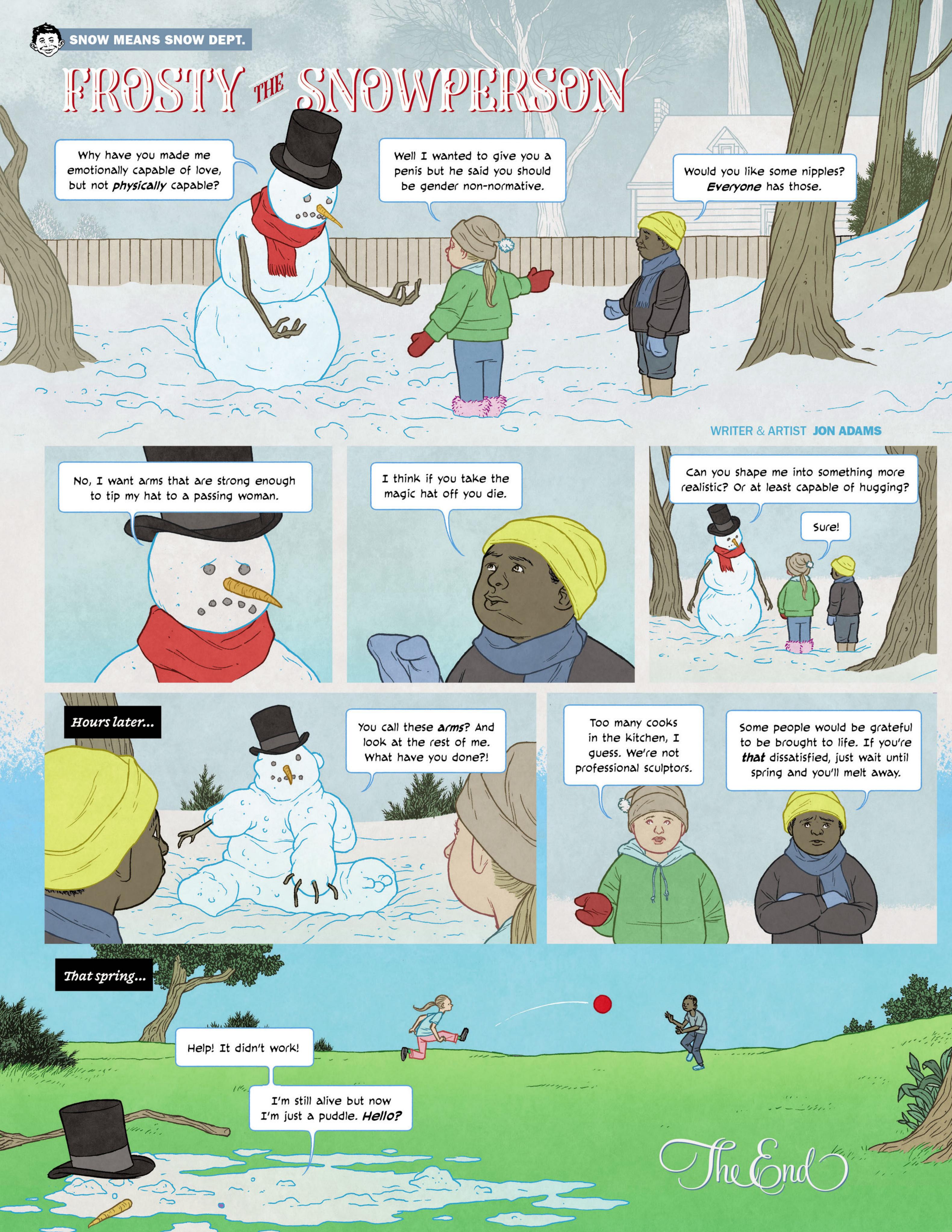


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After 9/11, the Department of Homeland Security created a simple motto that would inadvertently (or intentionally, depending on who you ask) encourage racial profiling: "If You See Something, Say Something." In the past two years, for some reason, black Americans are enduring racial profiling more than ever. With so many recent incidents of police being summoned for "suspicious" behavior, we think it's time to update the motto and curb the newest terrorism threat...

are white and

a black person doing

SOMETHING

that would be innocuous if another white person were doing it, for God's sake, DON'T

SAY SOMETHING.

JUST SHUT THE HELL LIPI







THE WISENHEIM MUSEUM

Over its notorious 66-year history, MAD has left its mark on (some might say scarred) generations of creative types! Here in The Wisenheim Museum, we invite those visionaries to pay tribute to (some might say get back at) the magazine that set them on their creative (some might say degenerate) course!

PATIENT ALFRED

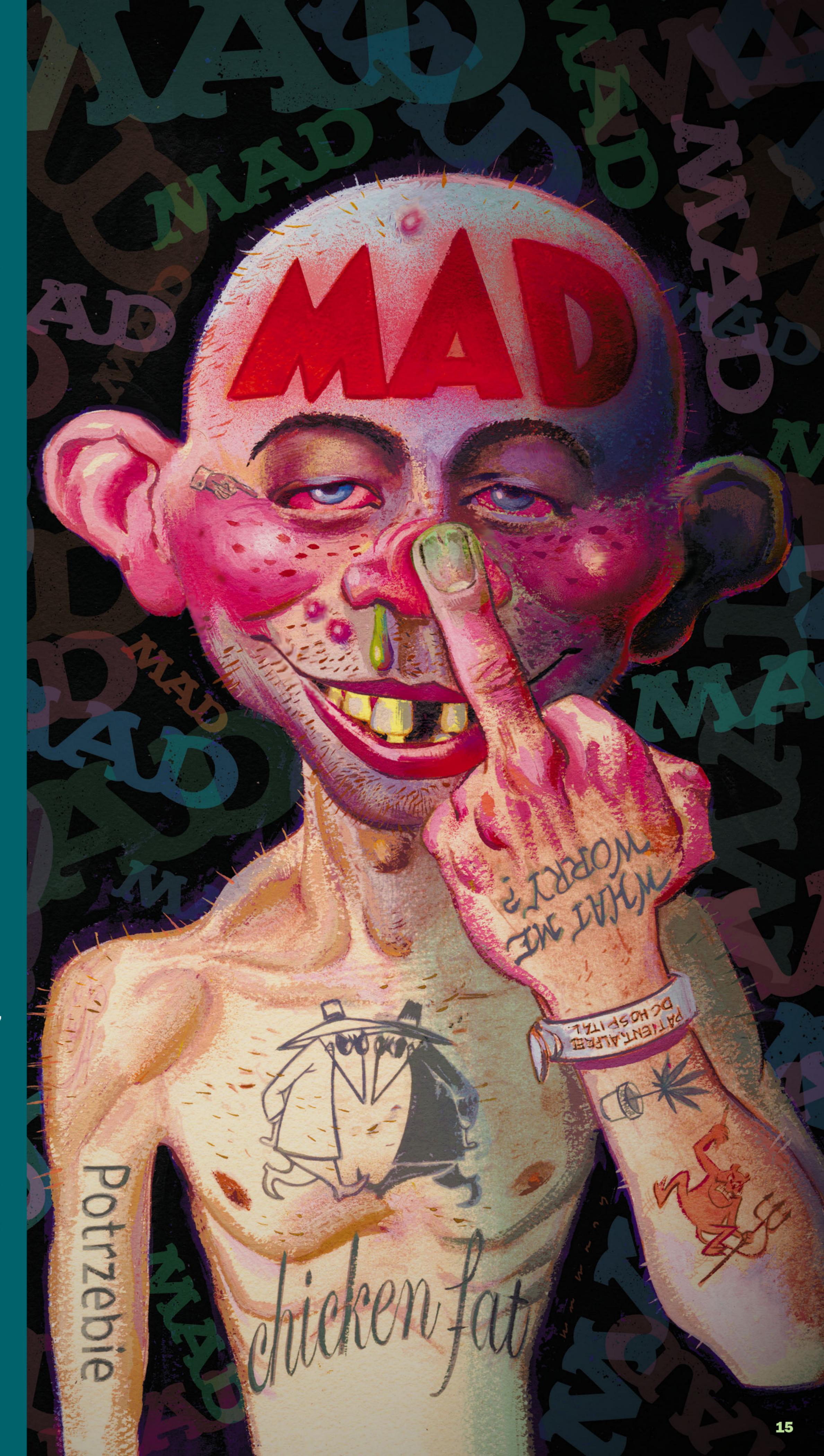
by BILL WRAY

Rabid MAD fans know Bill Wray as the co-creator of the popular strip *Monroe* (which he illustrated from 1997 until 2006), and the many other frenetic MAD pieces he's drawn over the years. Bill made his career as a storyboard and layout artist and background painter, and is famous for his work on the beloved *Ren & Stimpy Show*. When he's not drawing comics or creating animated cartoons, Bill ventures out of doors with paint and canvas to document the fast-vanishing urban landscapes of California.

Bill's love of comics and cartoons began as a child. He belonged to a military family that frequently uprooted, living in Germany, Vietnam, and Hong Kong. It was lonely at times, but he filled the empty hours reading comic books and watching cartoons (and, we can only assume, reading a lot of MAD Magazines!).

Bill painted this Alfred as an alternate cover for MAD #1 (and boy, do we mean "alternate") which sadly never graced newsstands. We're excited to share its idiotic, punky grandeur with you now!

Bill Wray and his wondrous works of art can be found on the web at williamwray.com



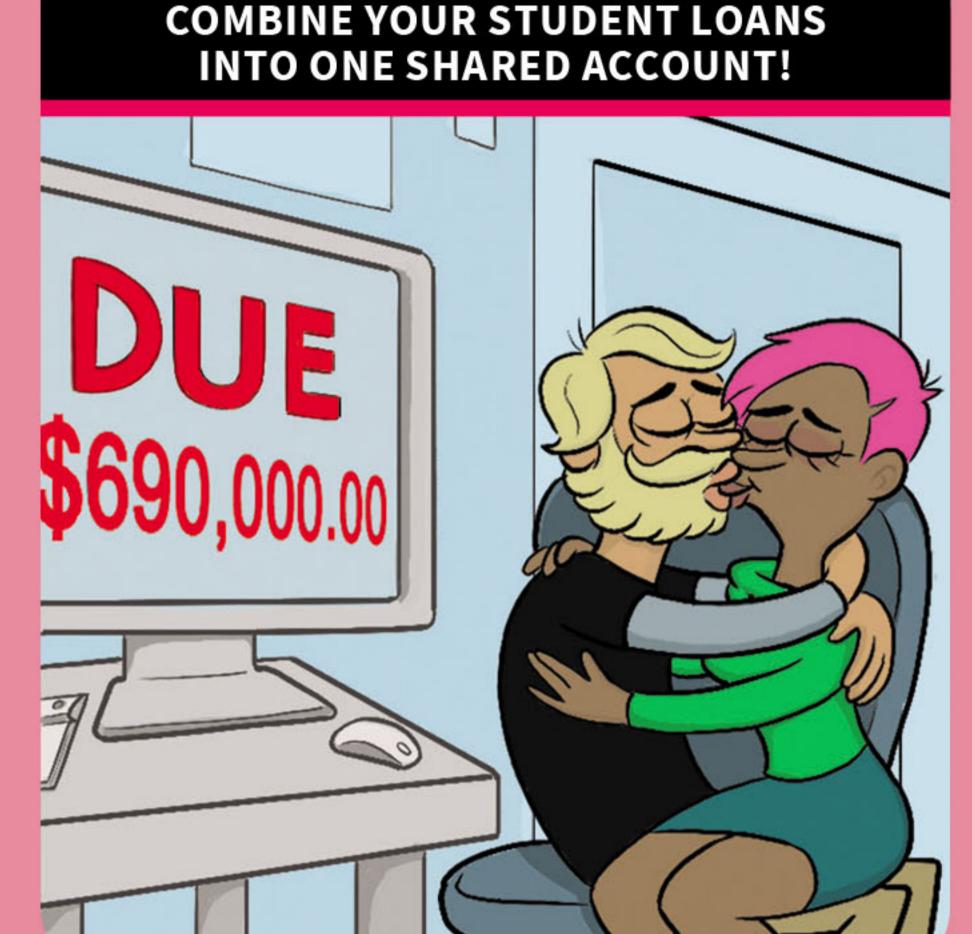


Back in the day, budding sweeties took it to the next level by offering a letterman jacket, a promise ring, and a cherry phosphate. Kids these days don't need jackets due to global warming, are wary of blood diamonds, and try to avoid the health risks of sugary drinks. With that in mind, here are the...

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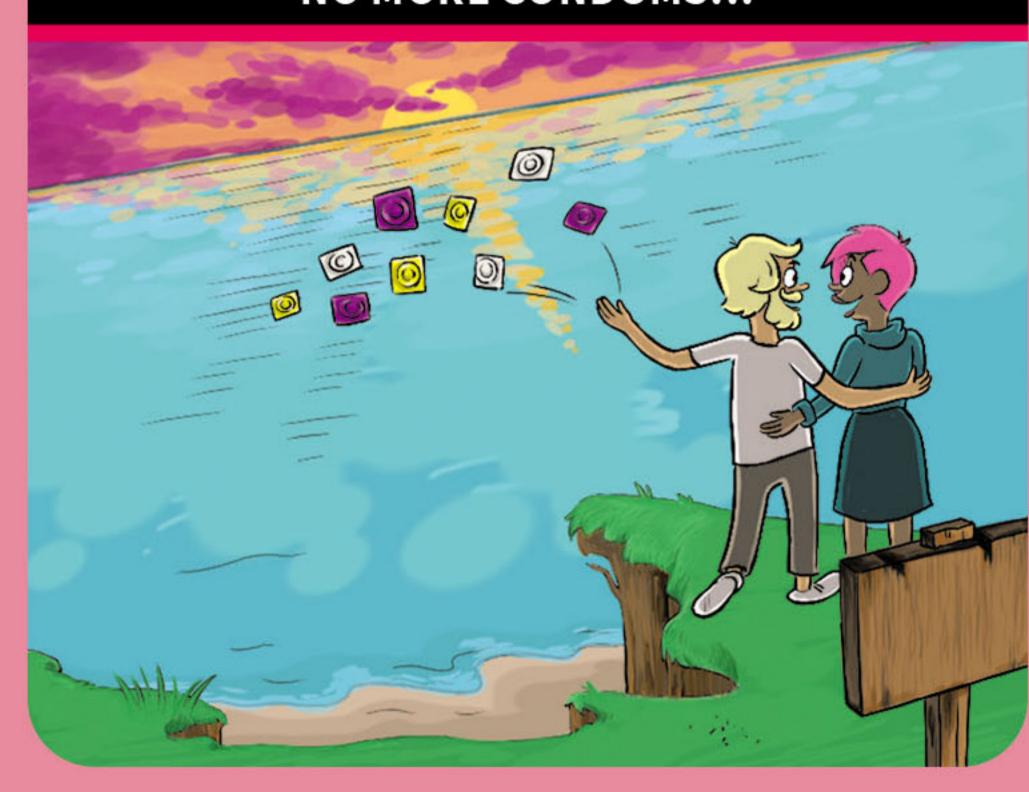


SWEAR YOUR LIVES TO EACH OTHER WITH A BLOOD OATH!



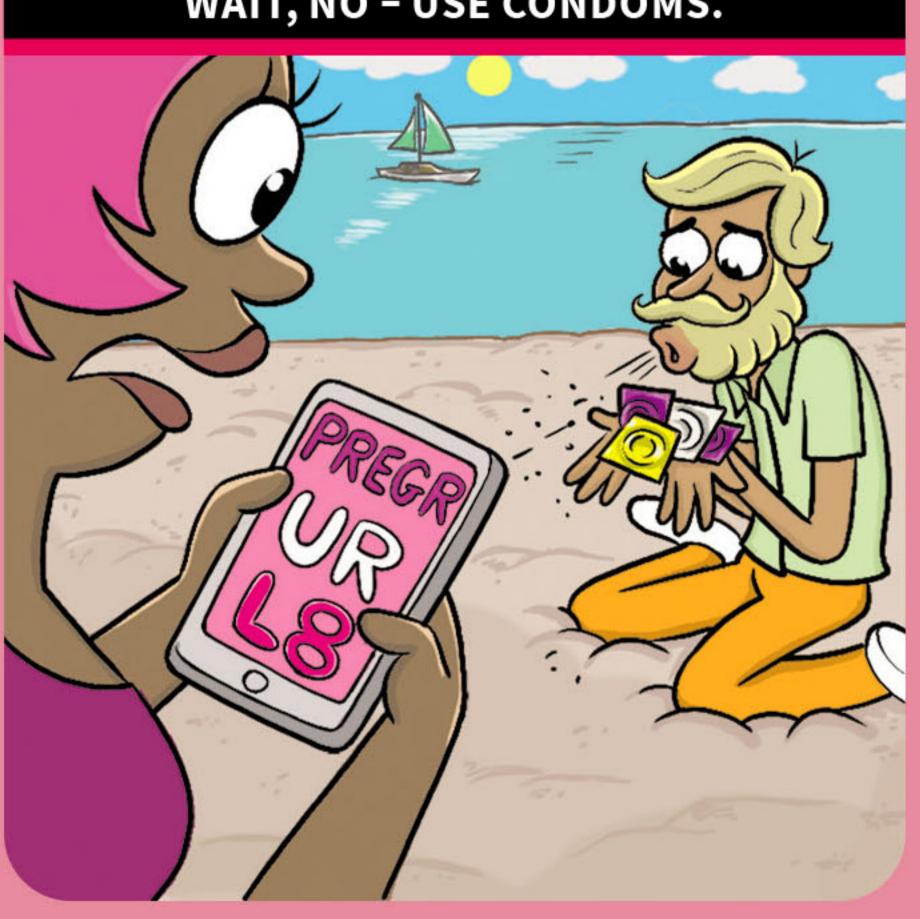


—— STEP 6 — NO MORE CONDOMS!!!



WRITERS CASEY BOYD & ALLIE GOERTZ ARTIST A PERSON

STEP 7 ——— WAIT, NO - USE CONDOMS.

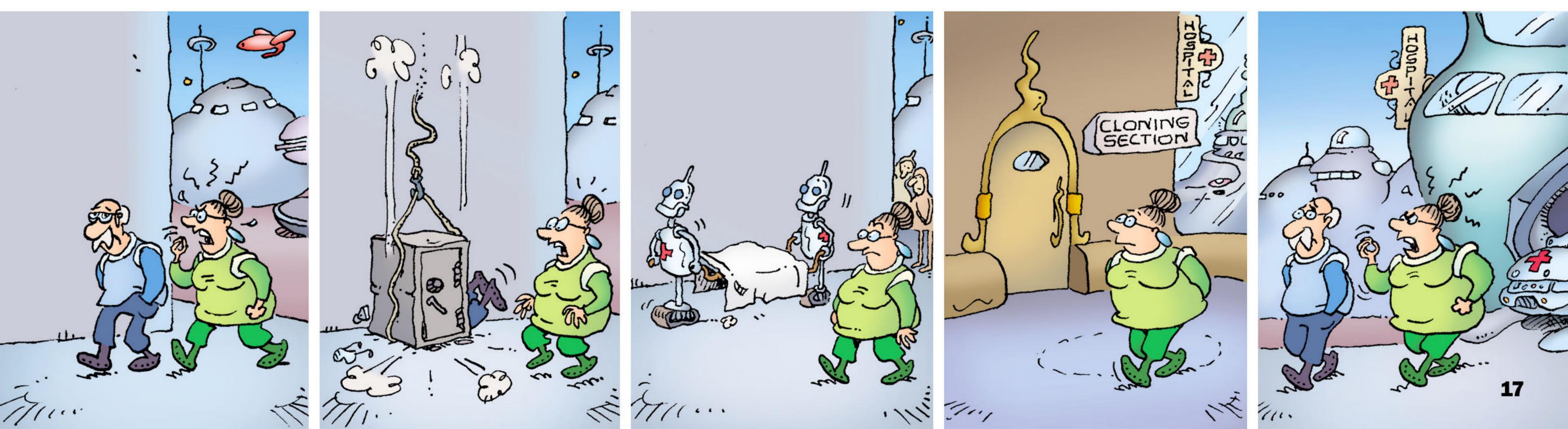


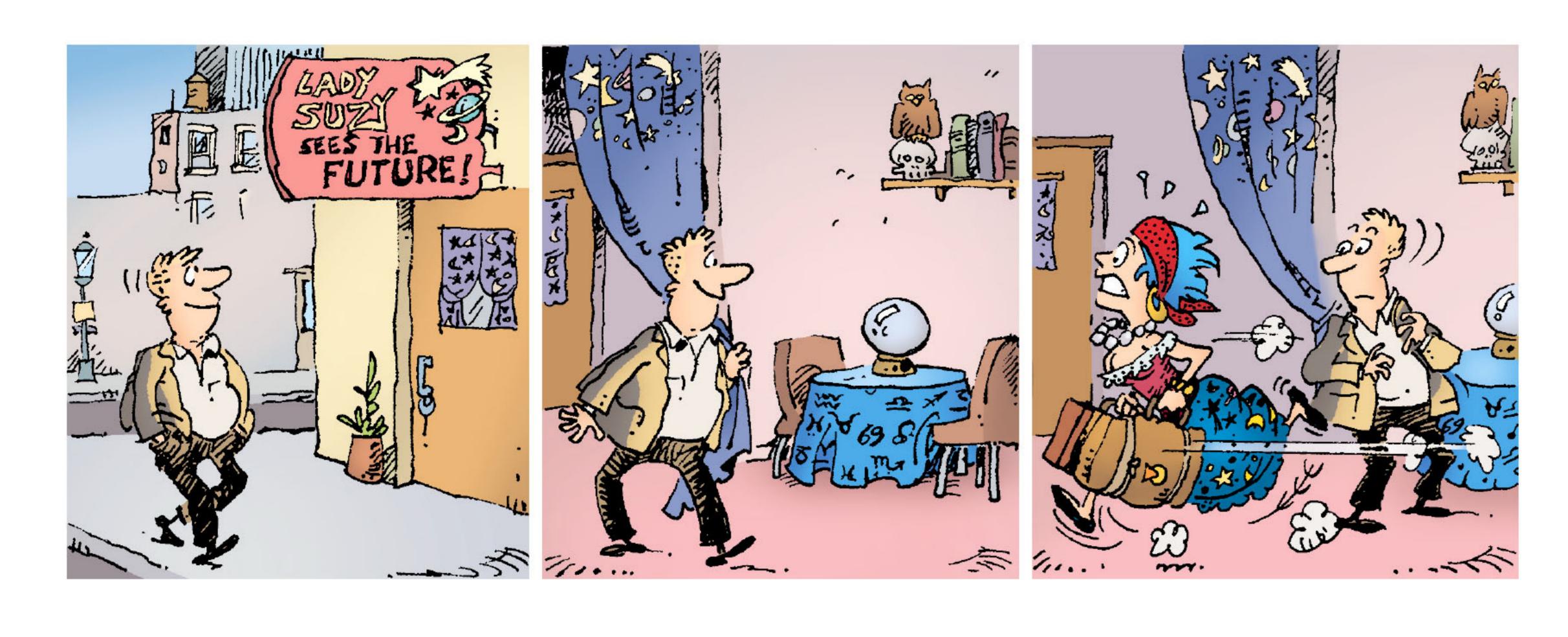
STEP8 -YOU'RE NOW MODERN-DAY "OFFICIAL!" WE GIVE IT A MONTH.

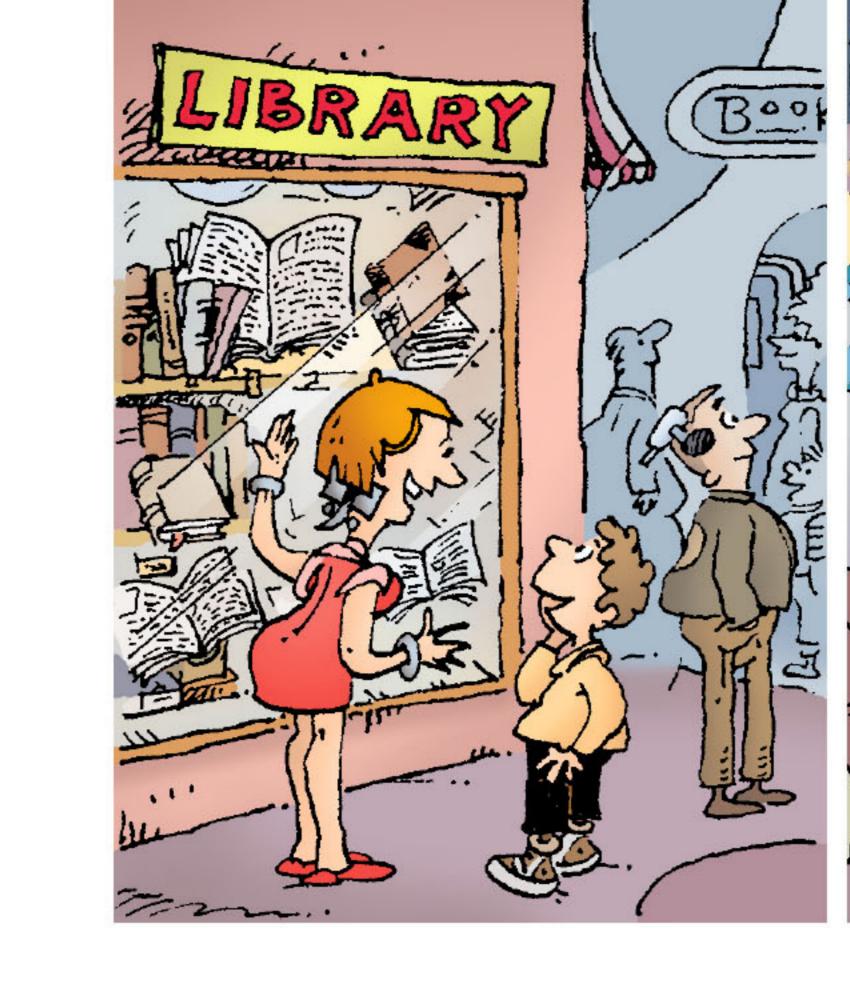




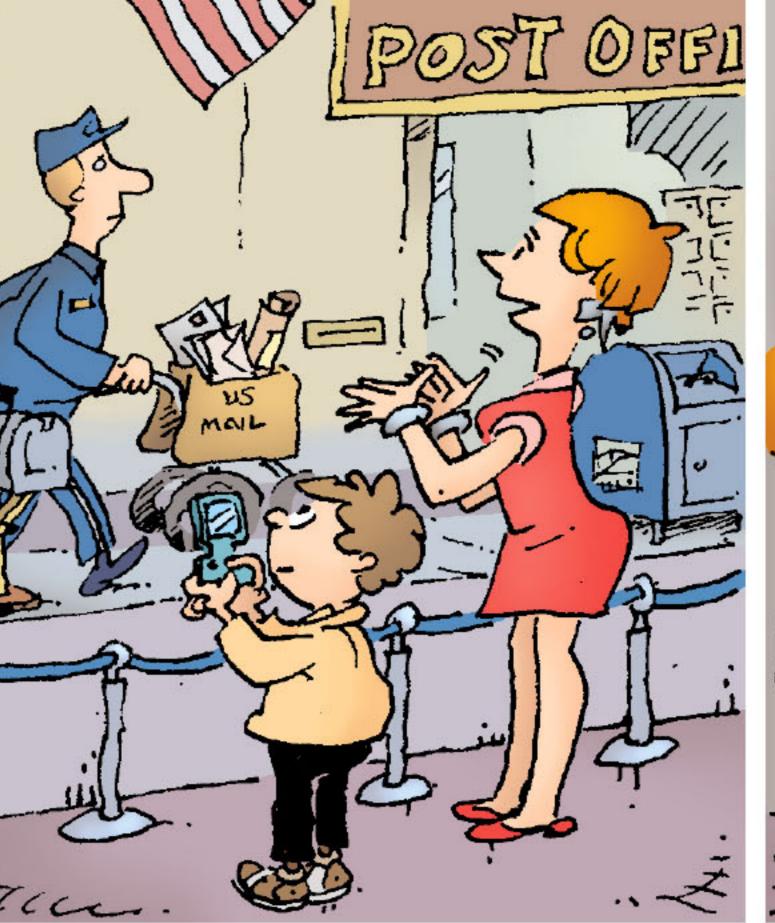






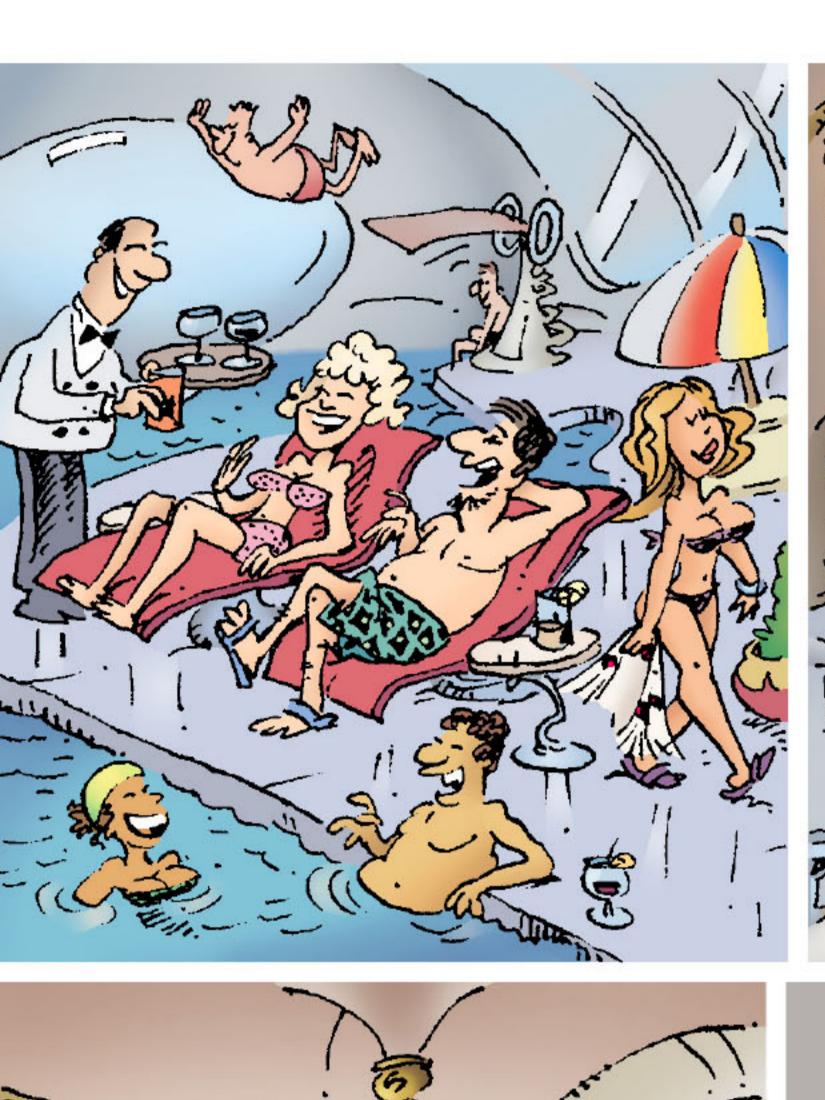






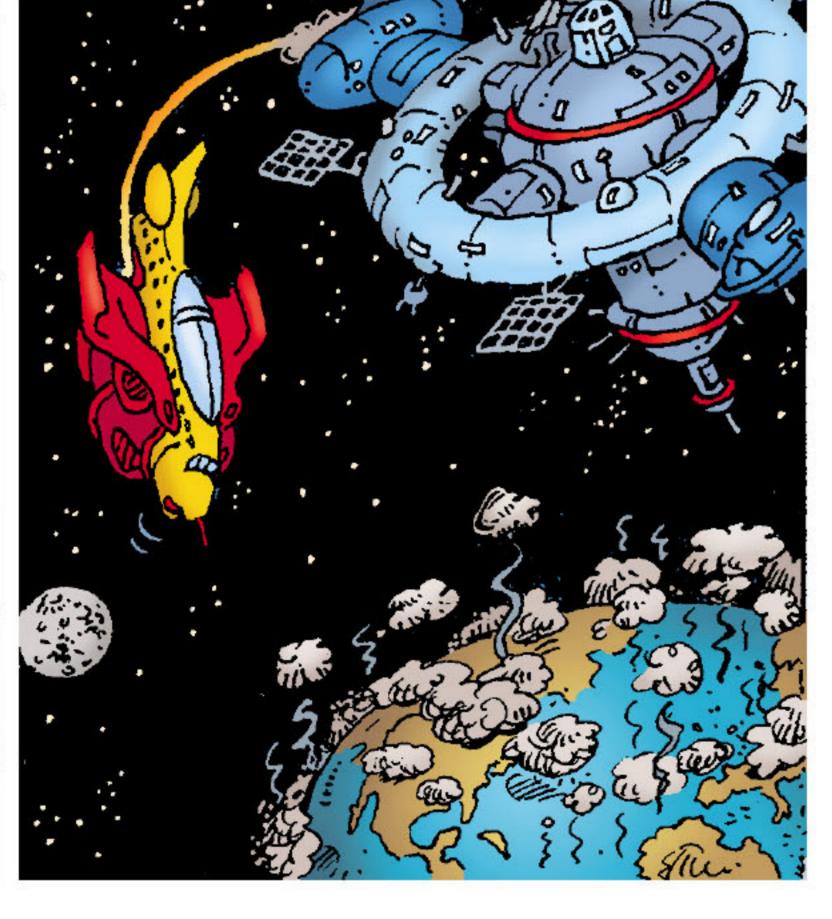


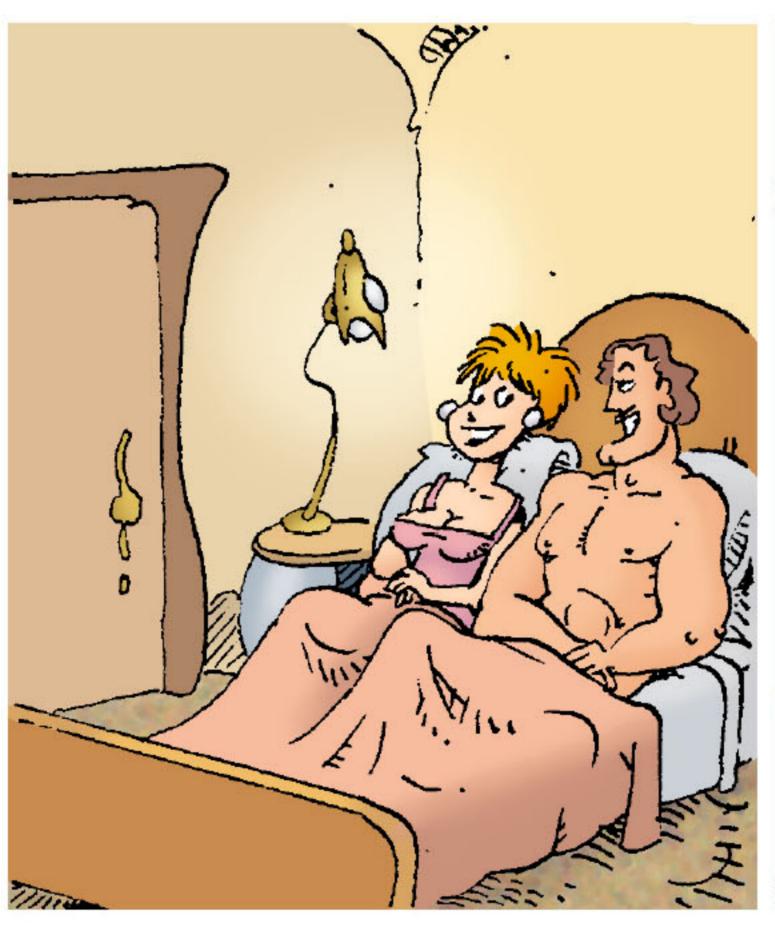


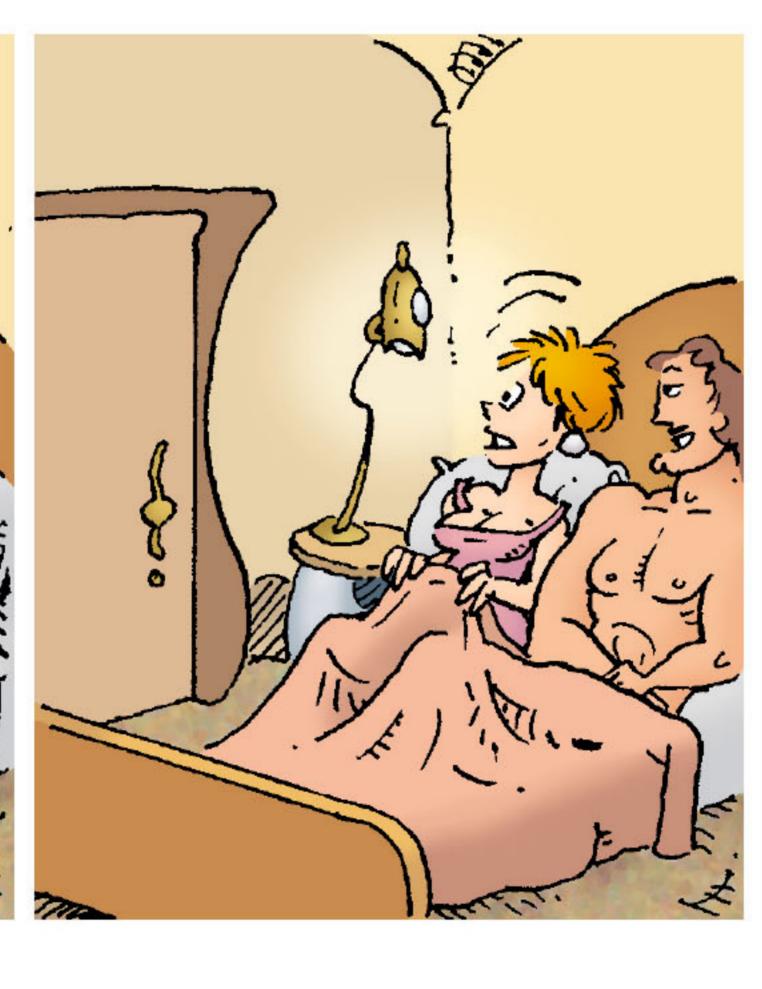


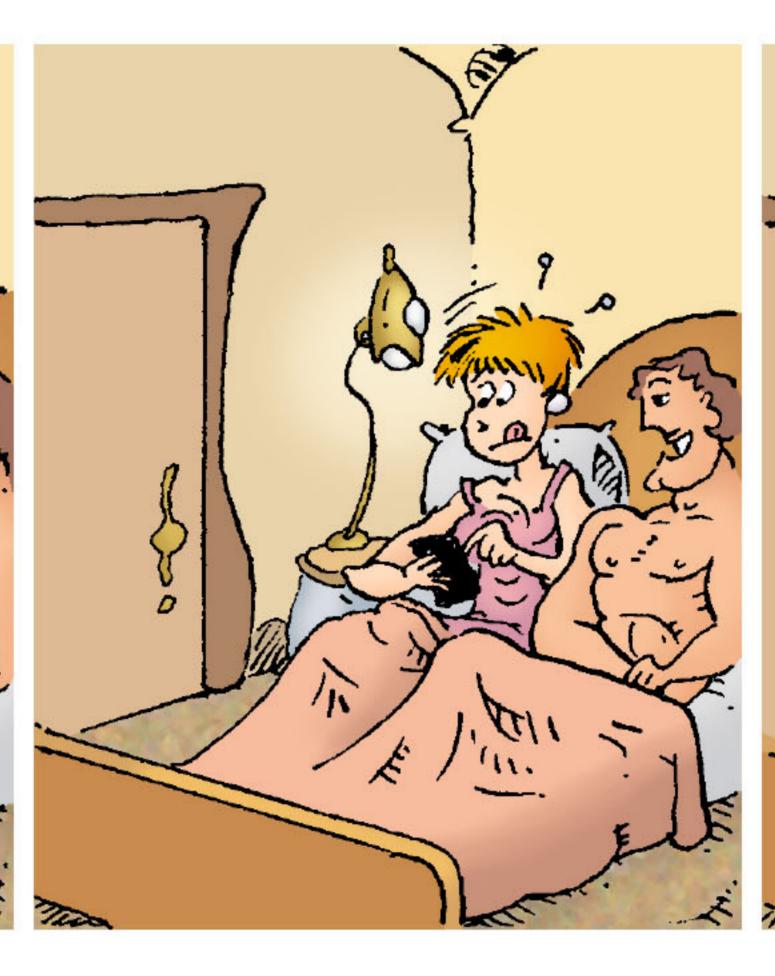










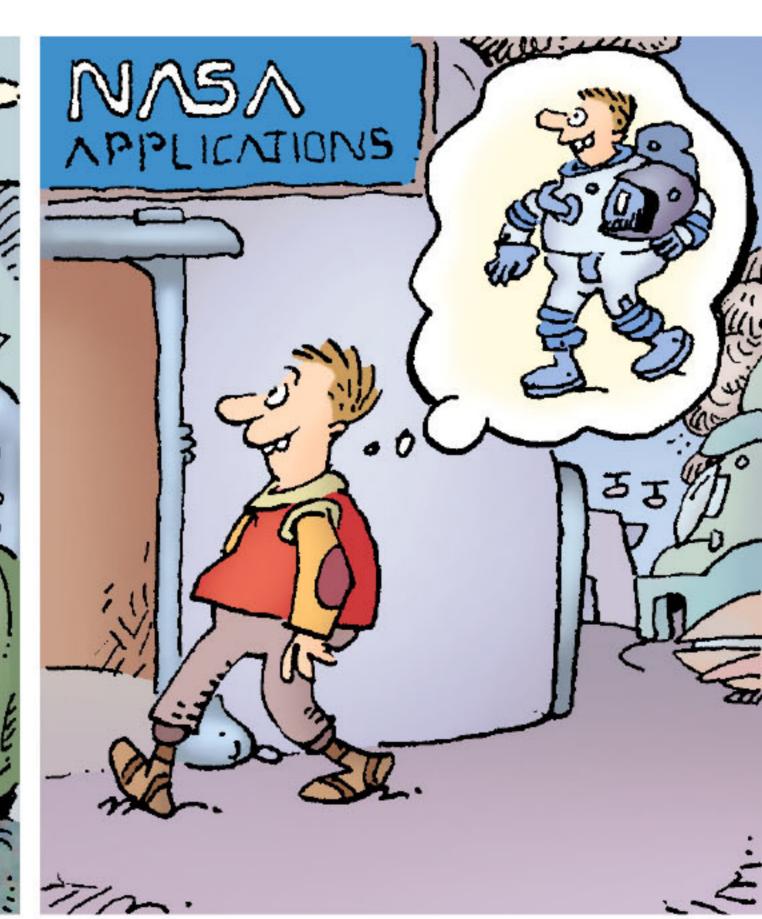










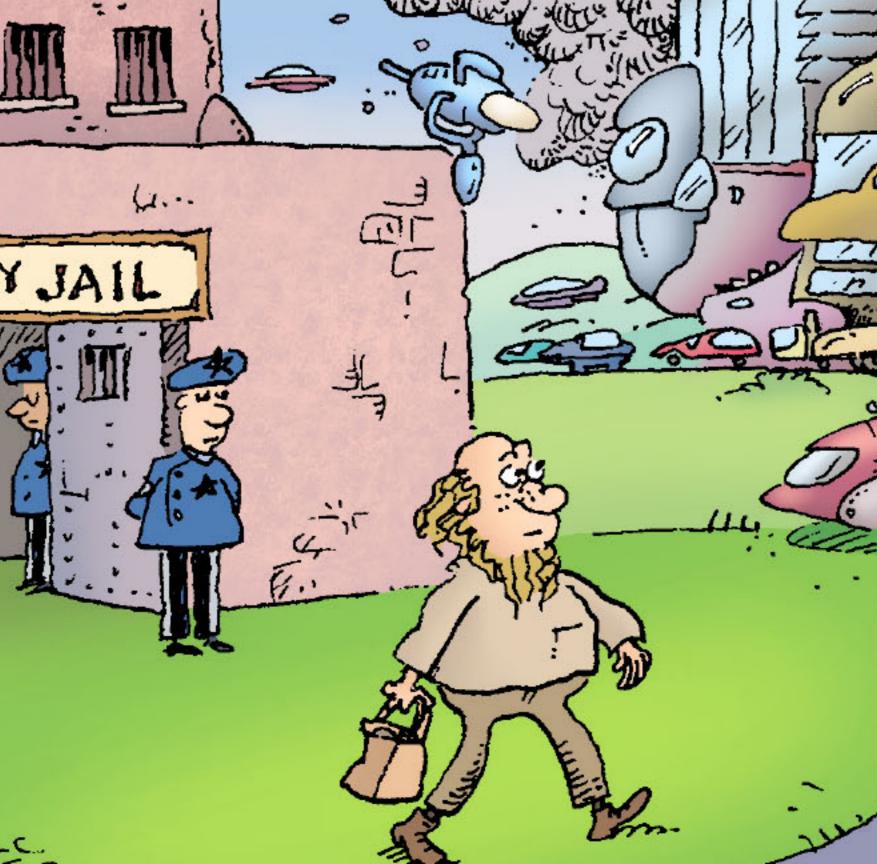


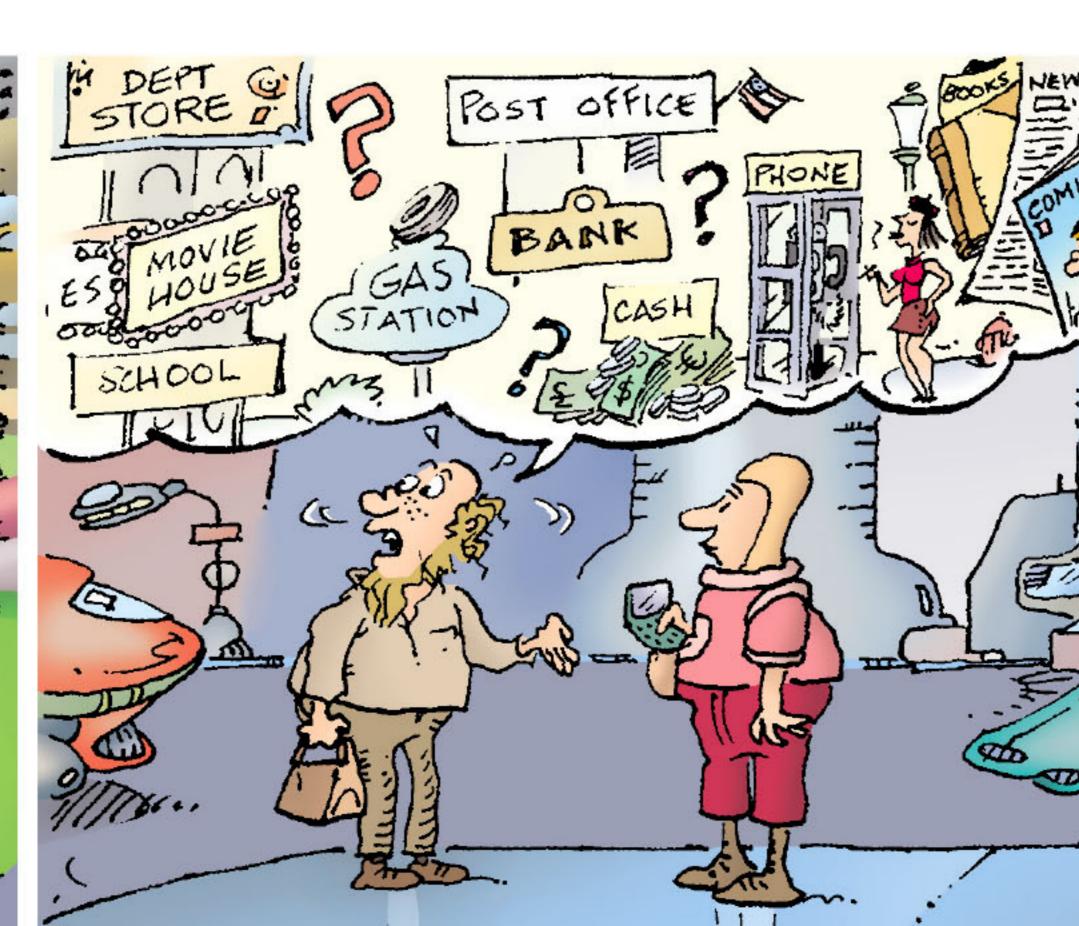




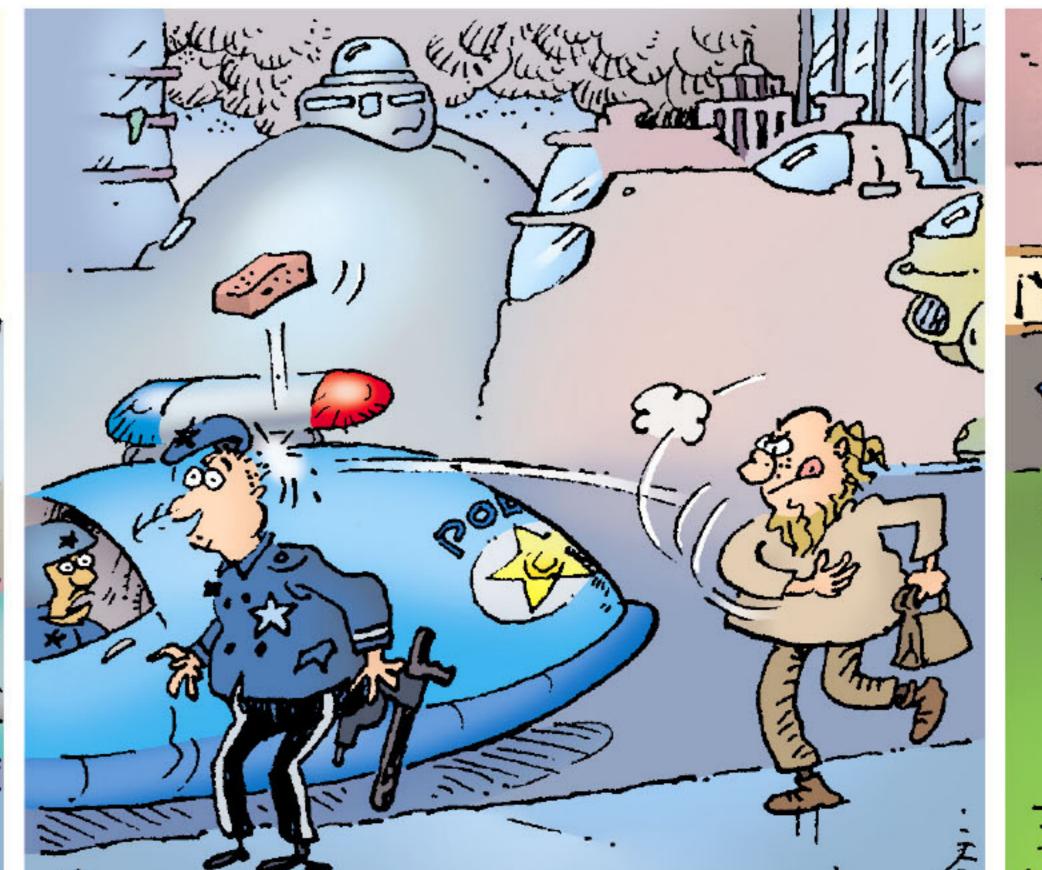


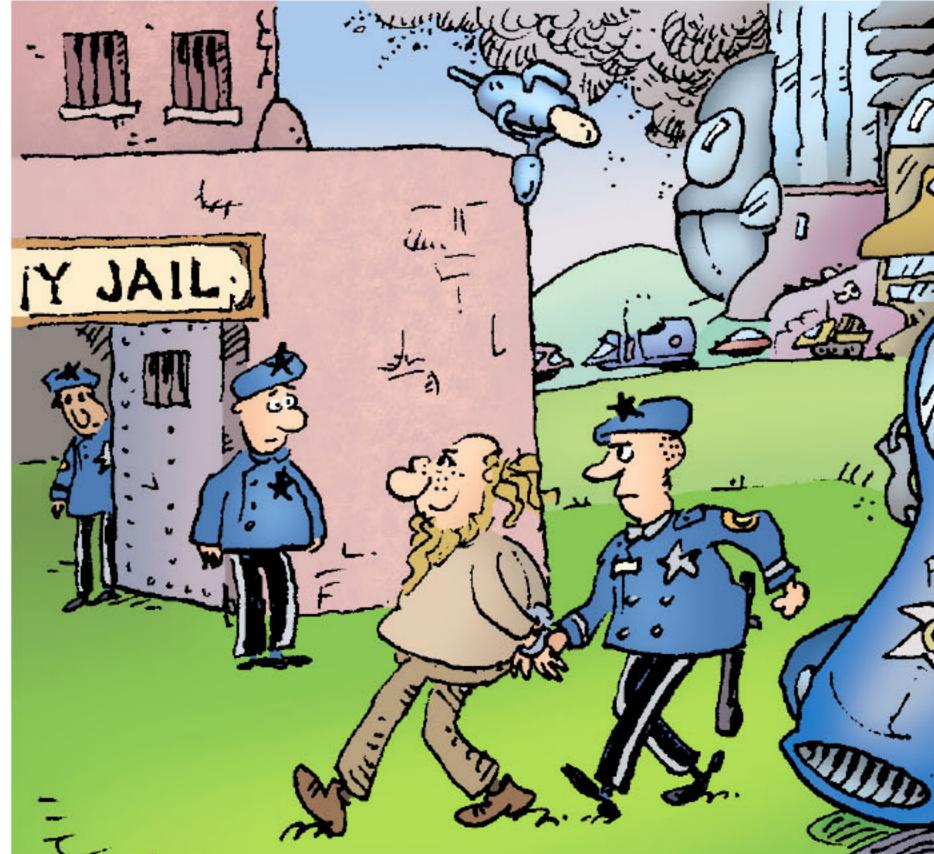
















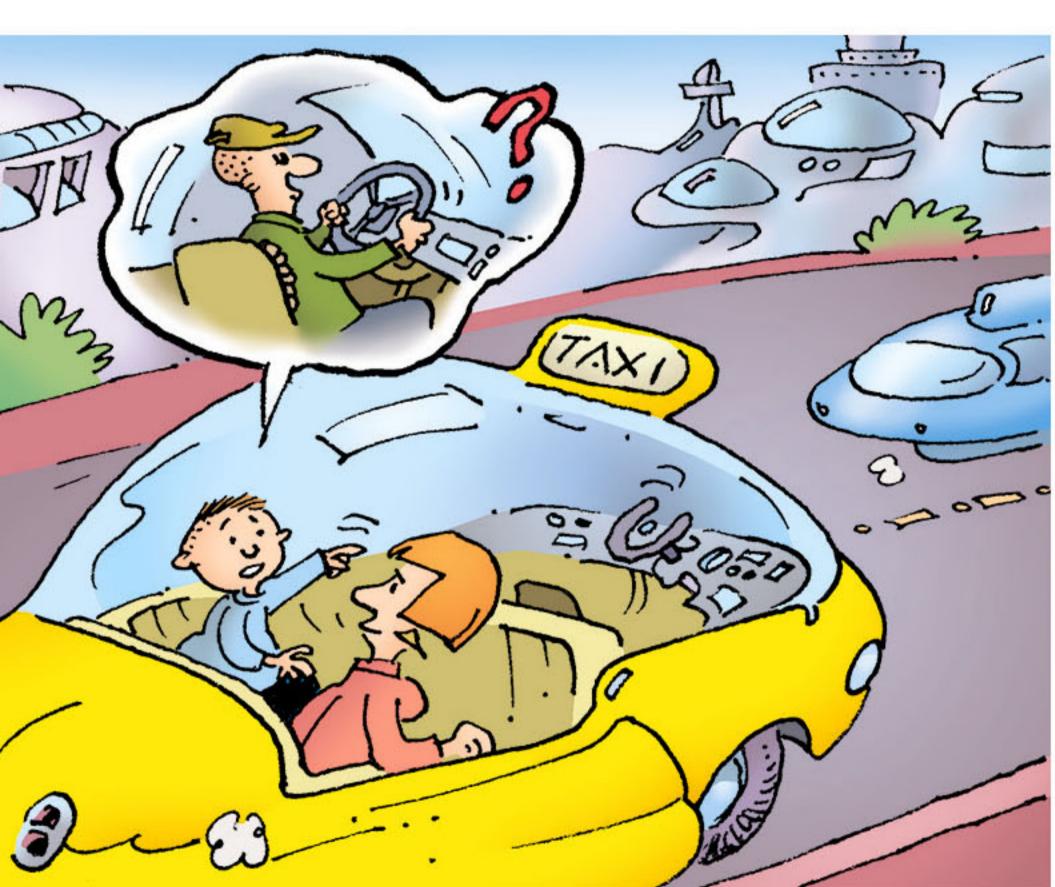


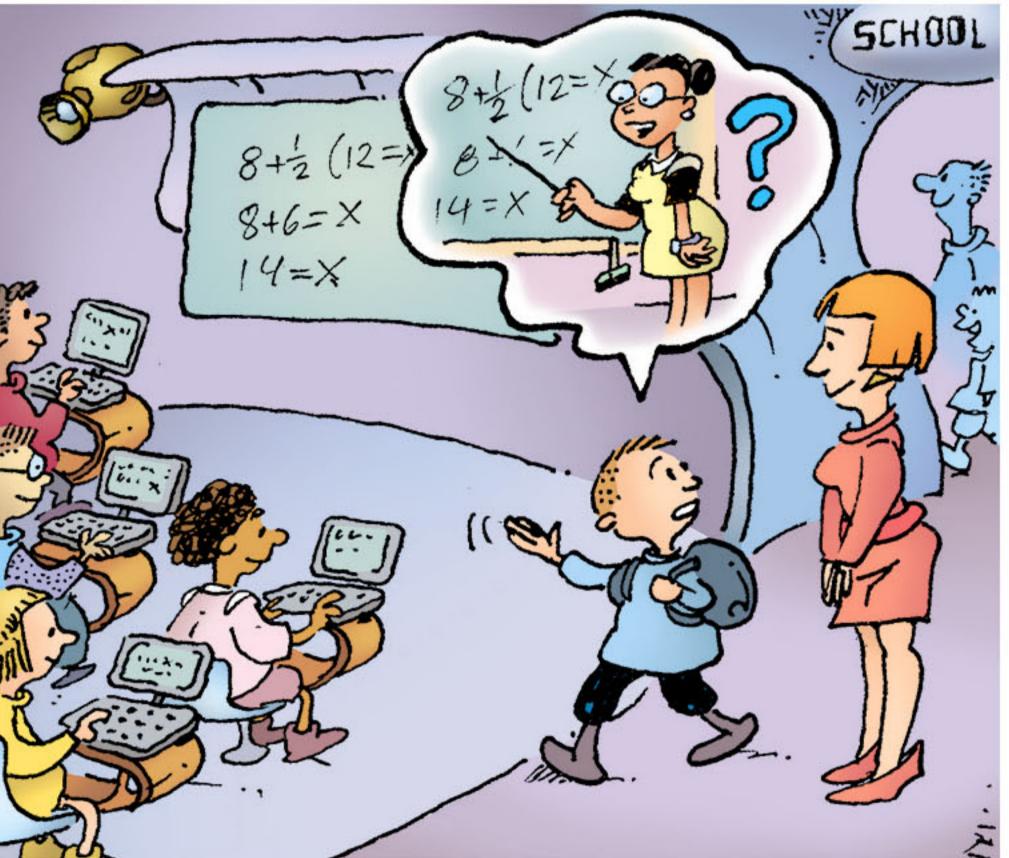


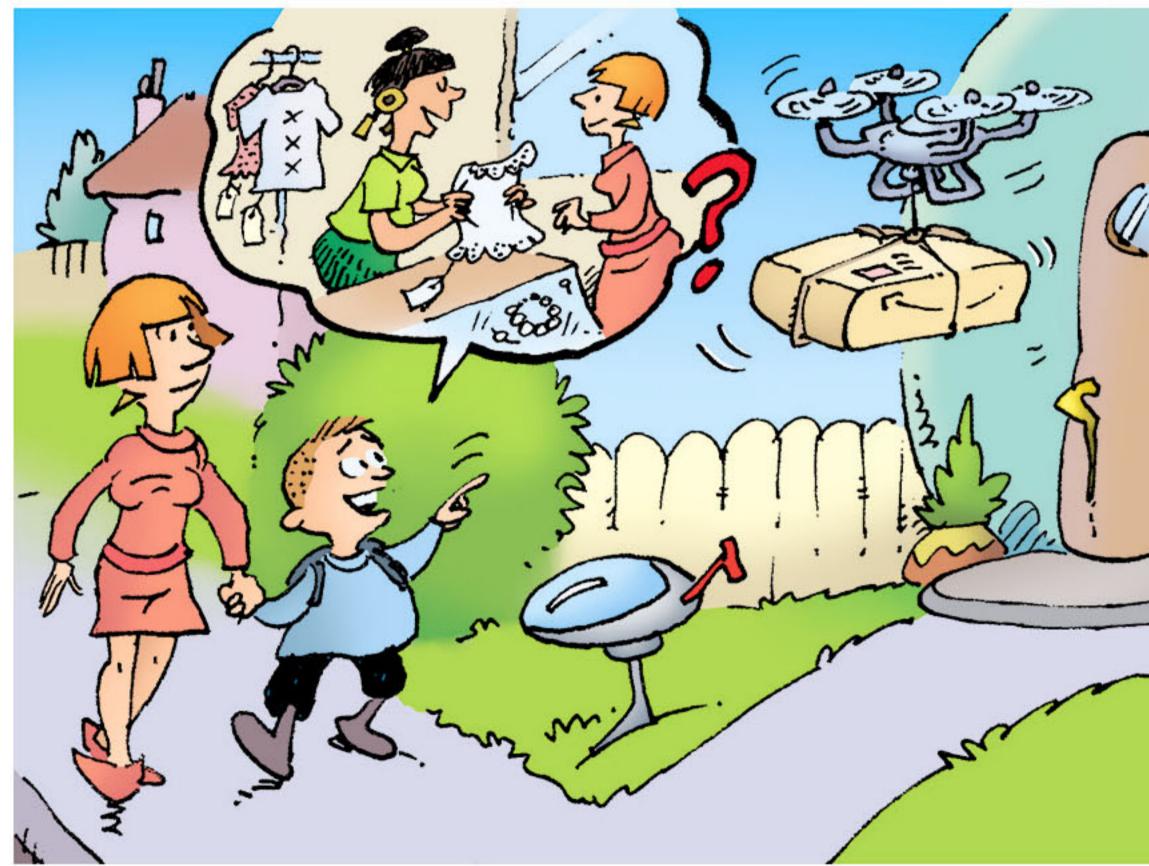


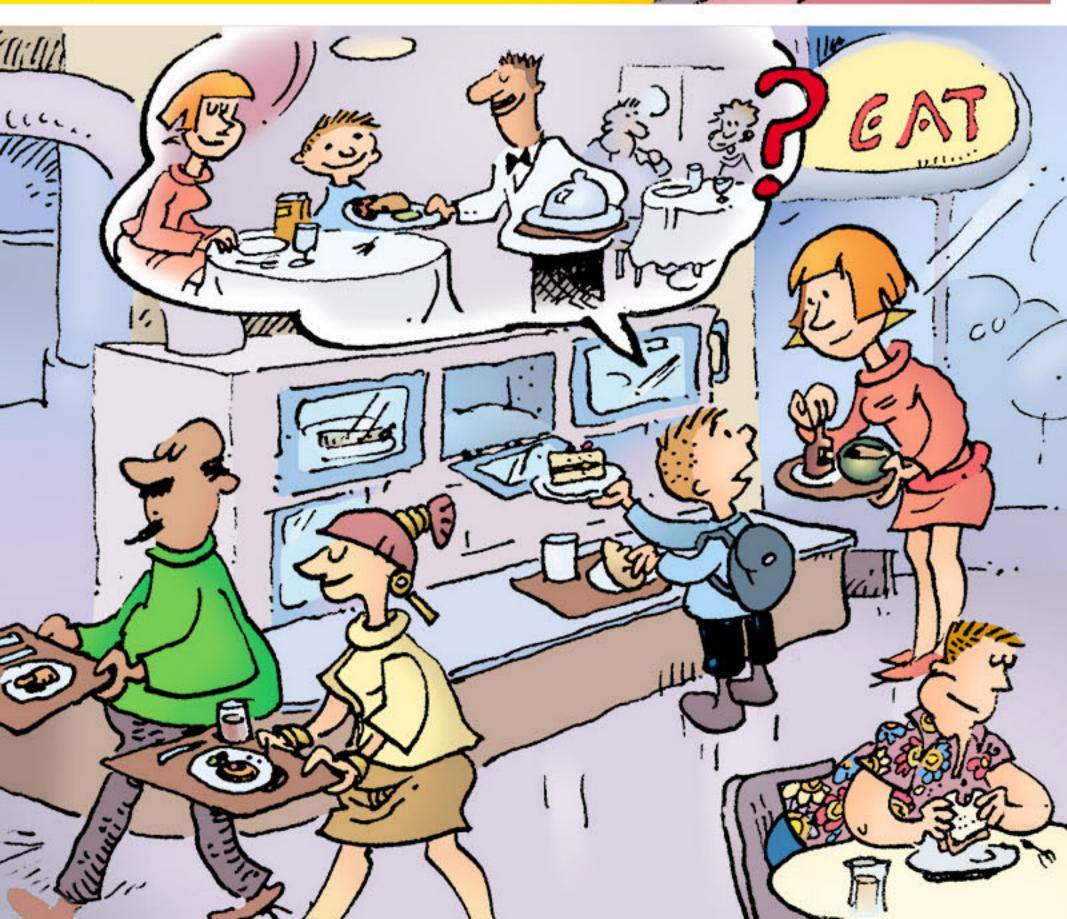


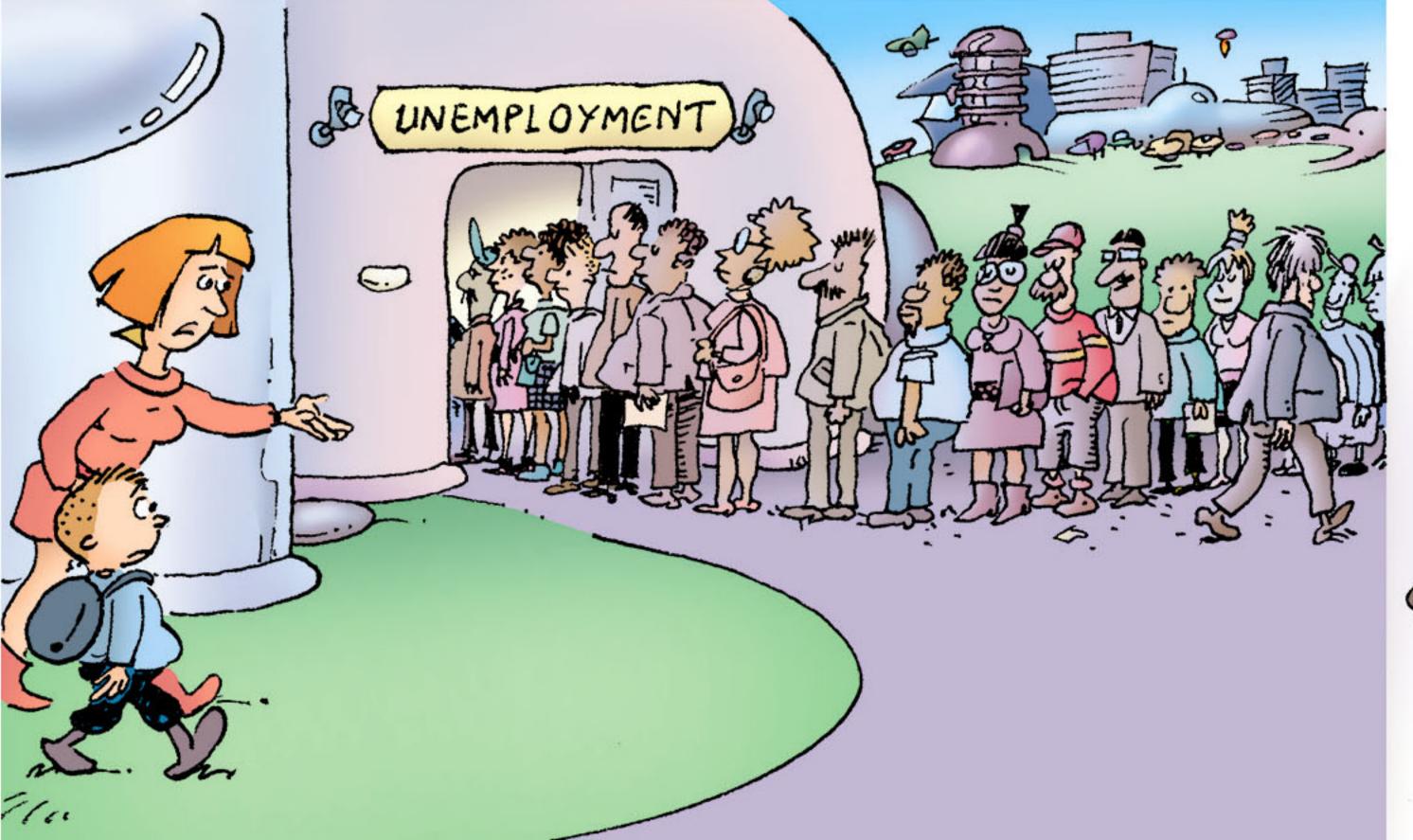










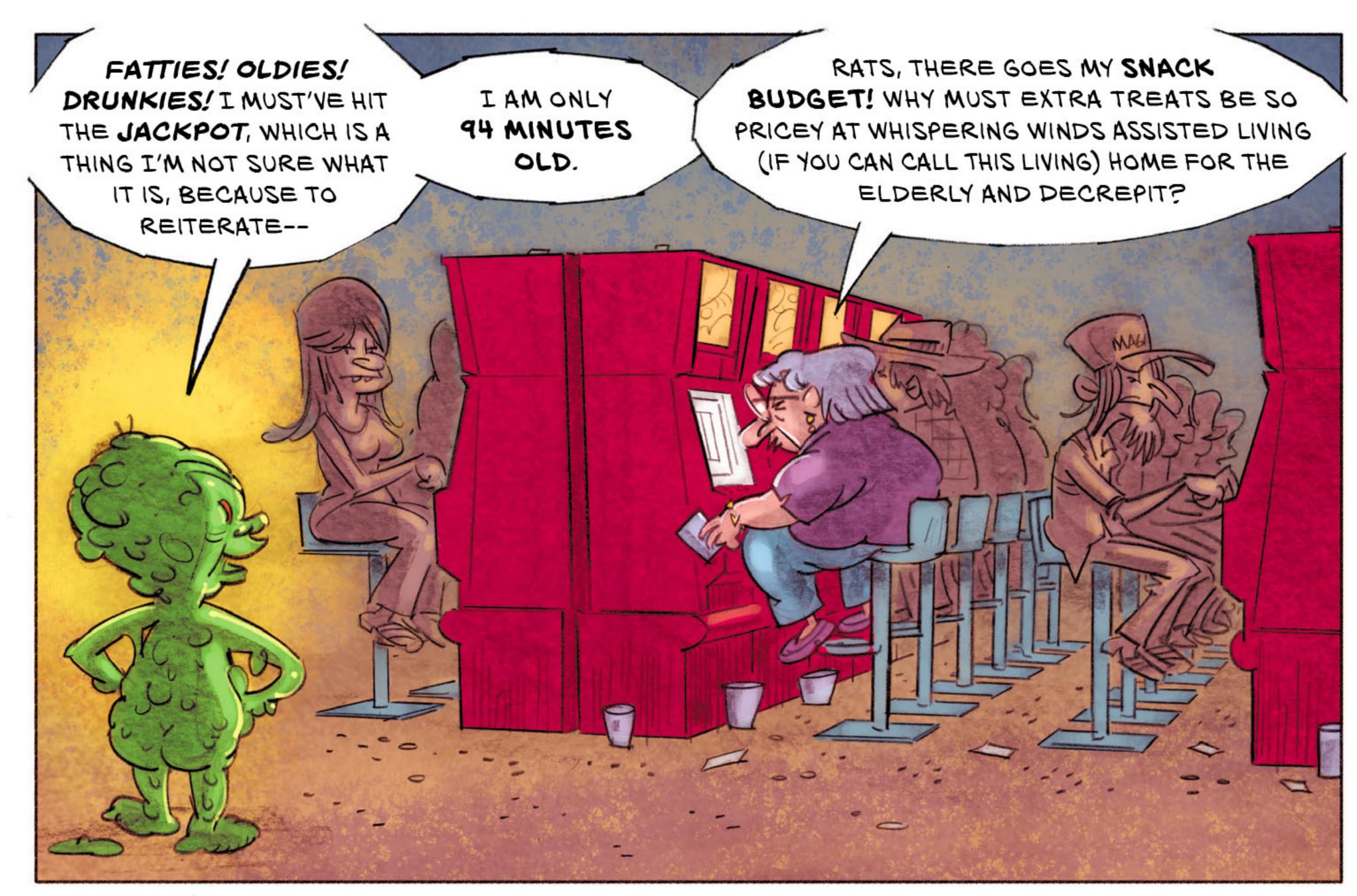


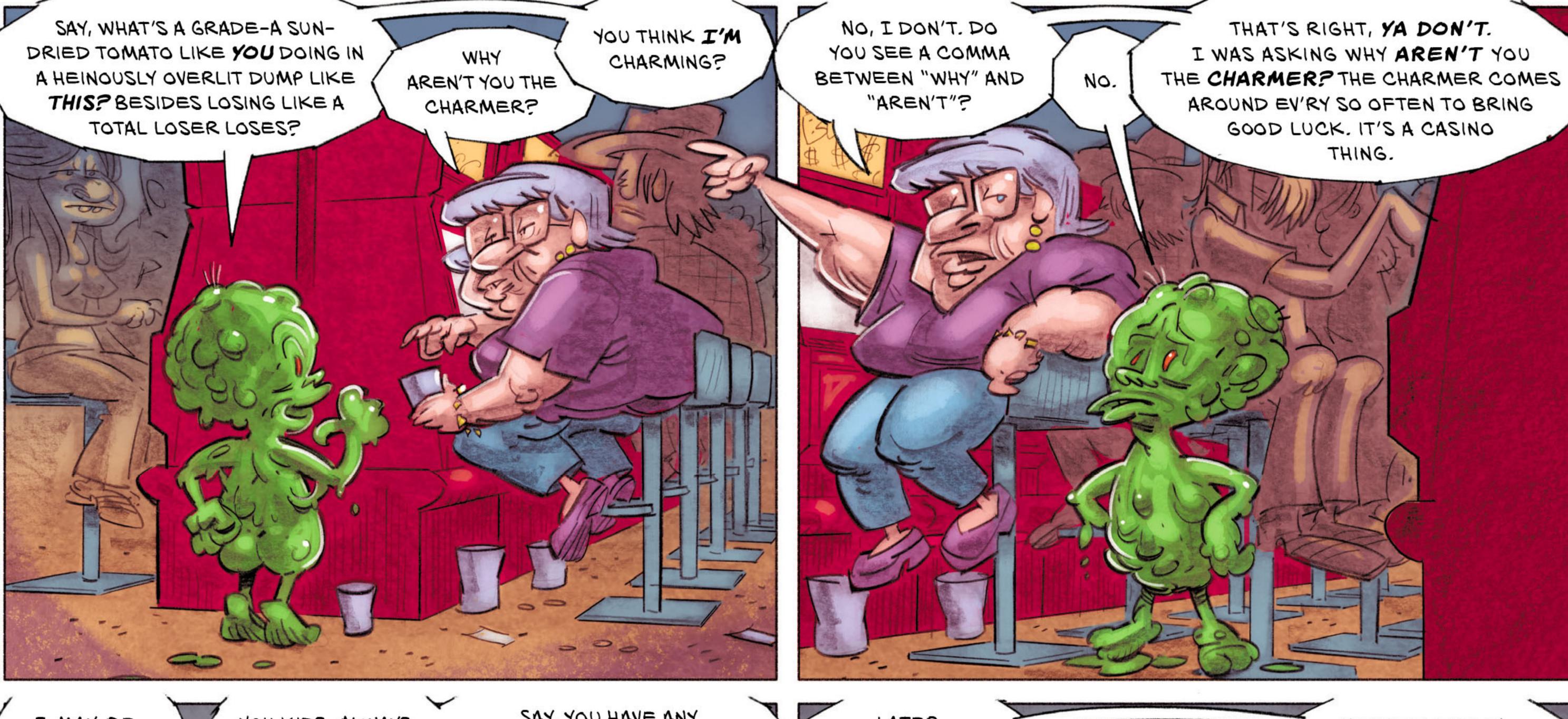


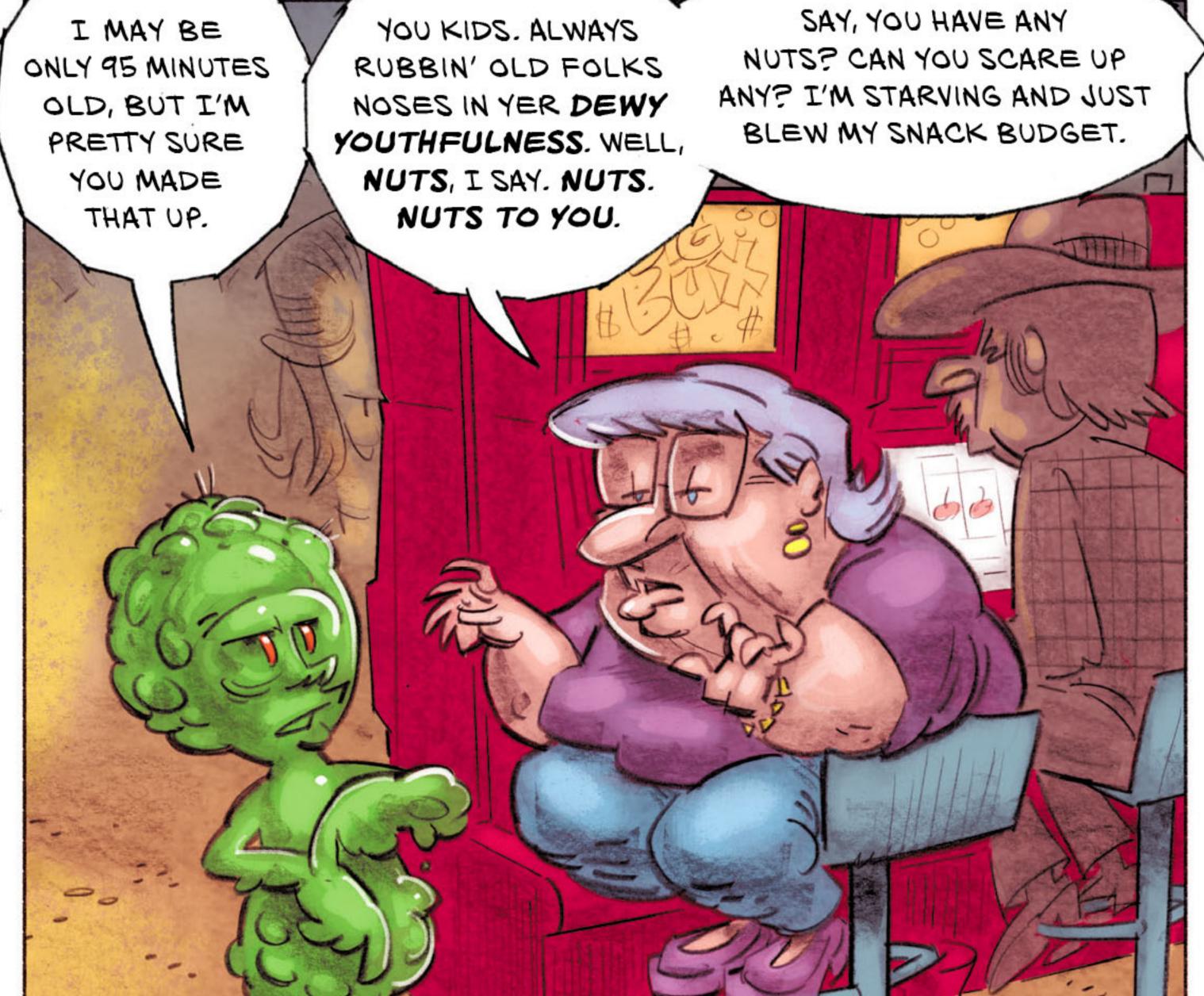


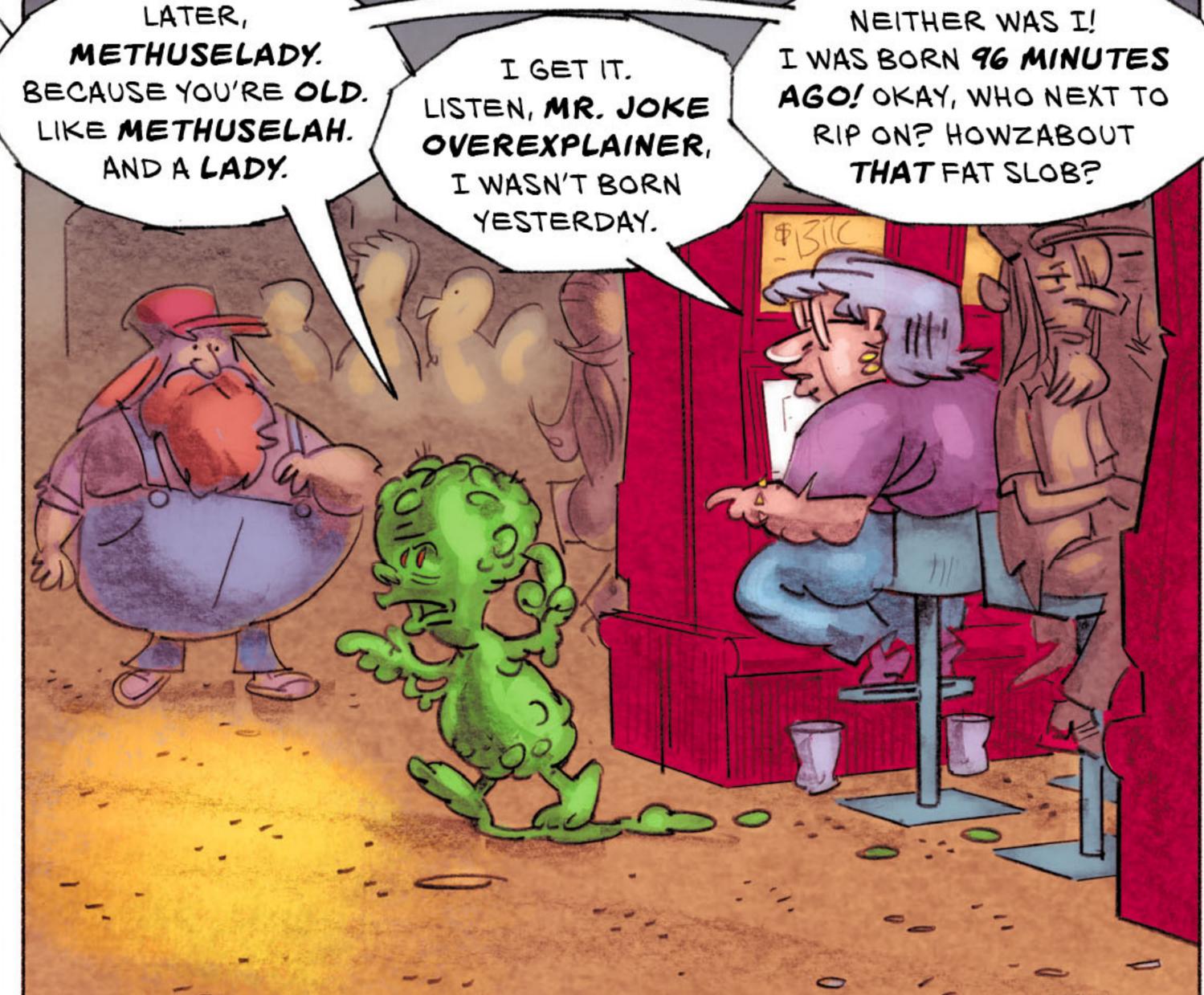


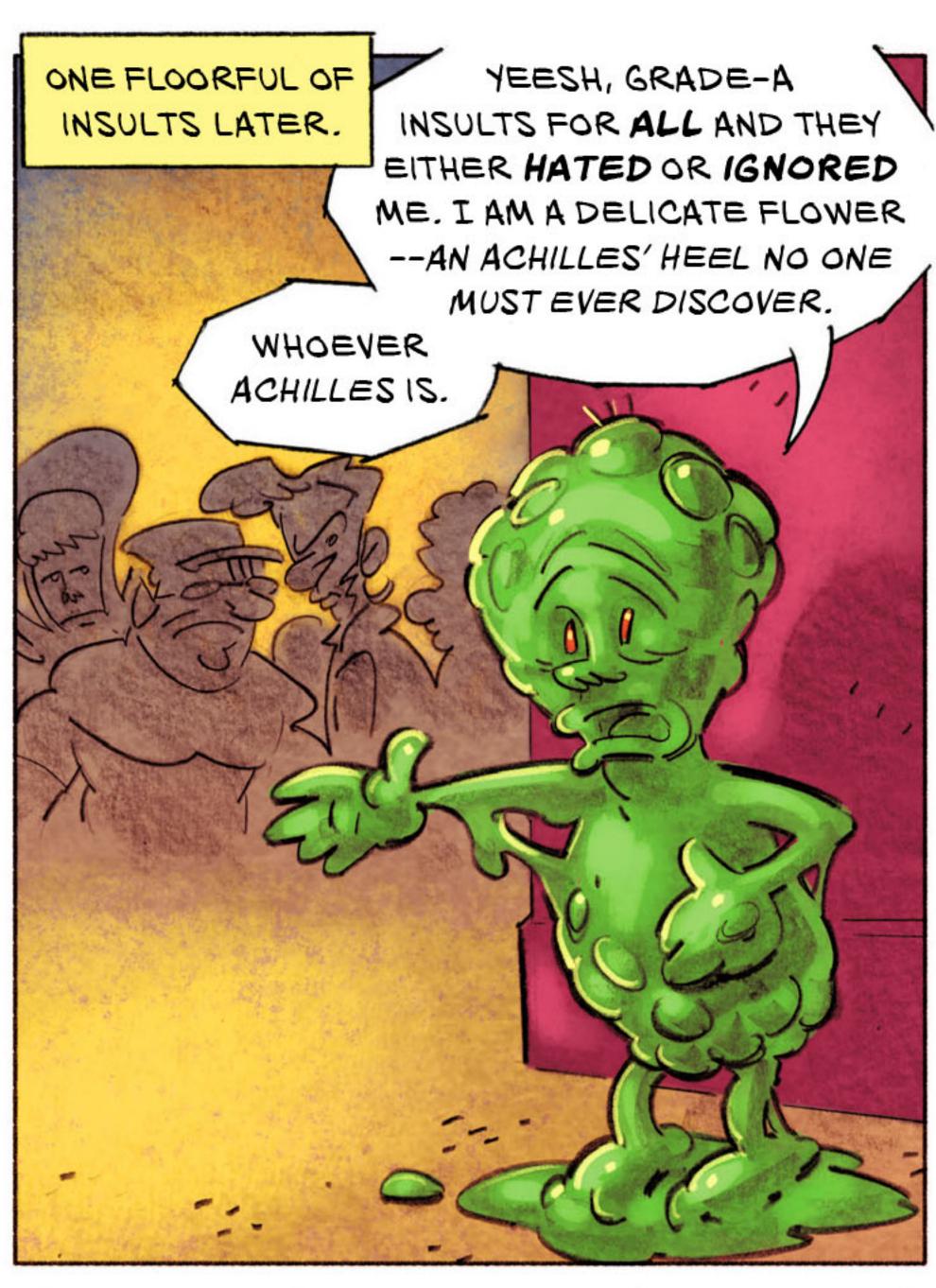
ABANDONED DURING A FIELD TRIP, YOUNG LUKEY MUENSTER ENLISTED DR. FREDERICK "HOT PEPPER" OBIDIAH TO DRIVE HIM HOME. DR. O'S CAR CRAPPED OUT, STRANDING THEM ON A REMOTE COUNTRY ROAD WITH NO CELL RECEPTION. RACING BY IN A LUBER CAR SERVICE, LUKEY'S SNOT-CLONE MUKEY RAZZED THEM, BEFORE INSULTING HIS DRIVER SO MERCILESSLY IT DROVE THEM TO CRASH OUTSIDE A CASINO, WHERE HE NOW FINDS HIMSELF. AND US.

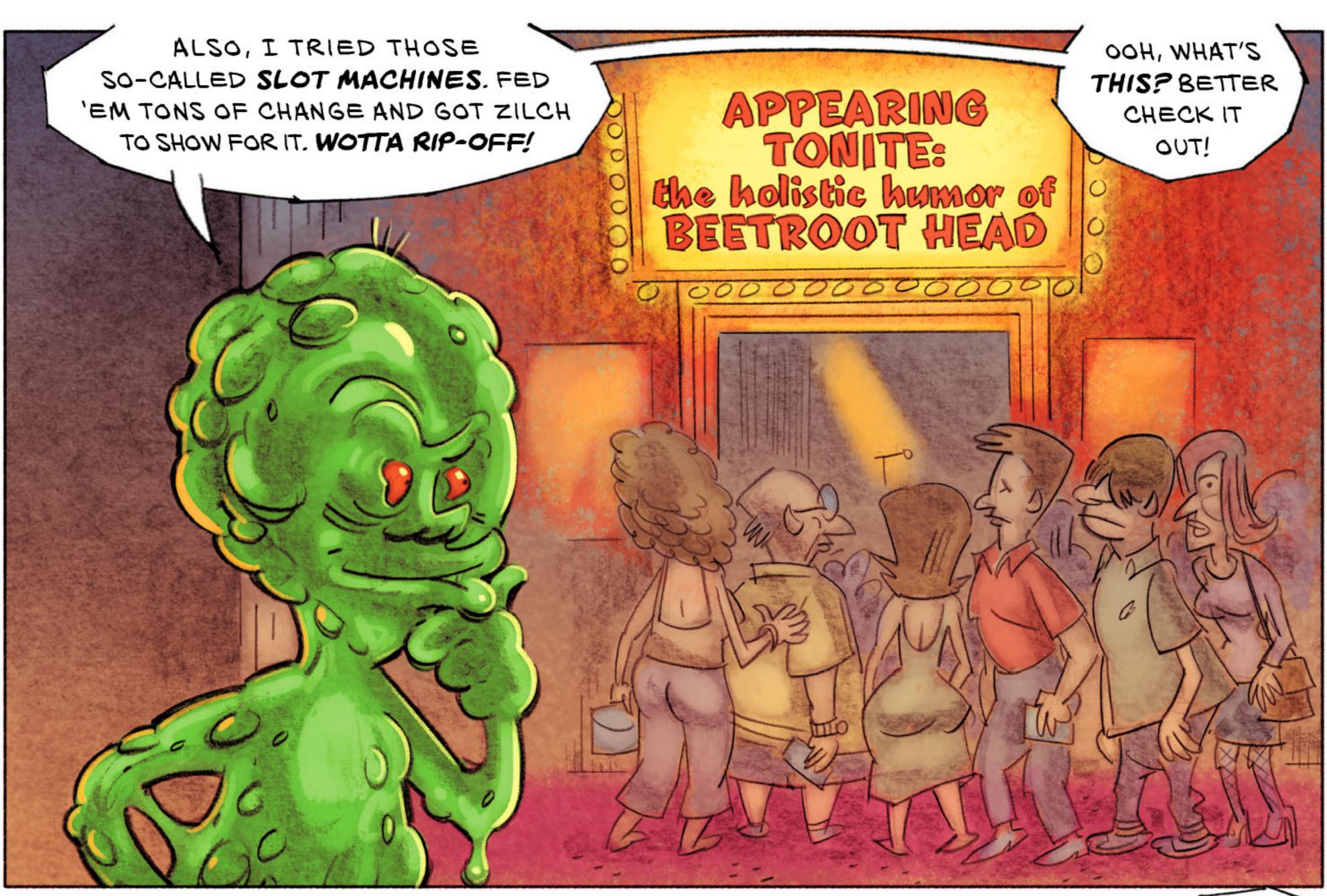


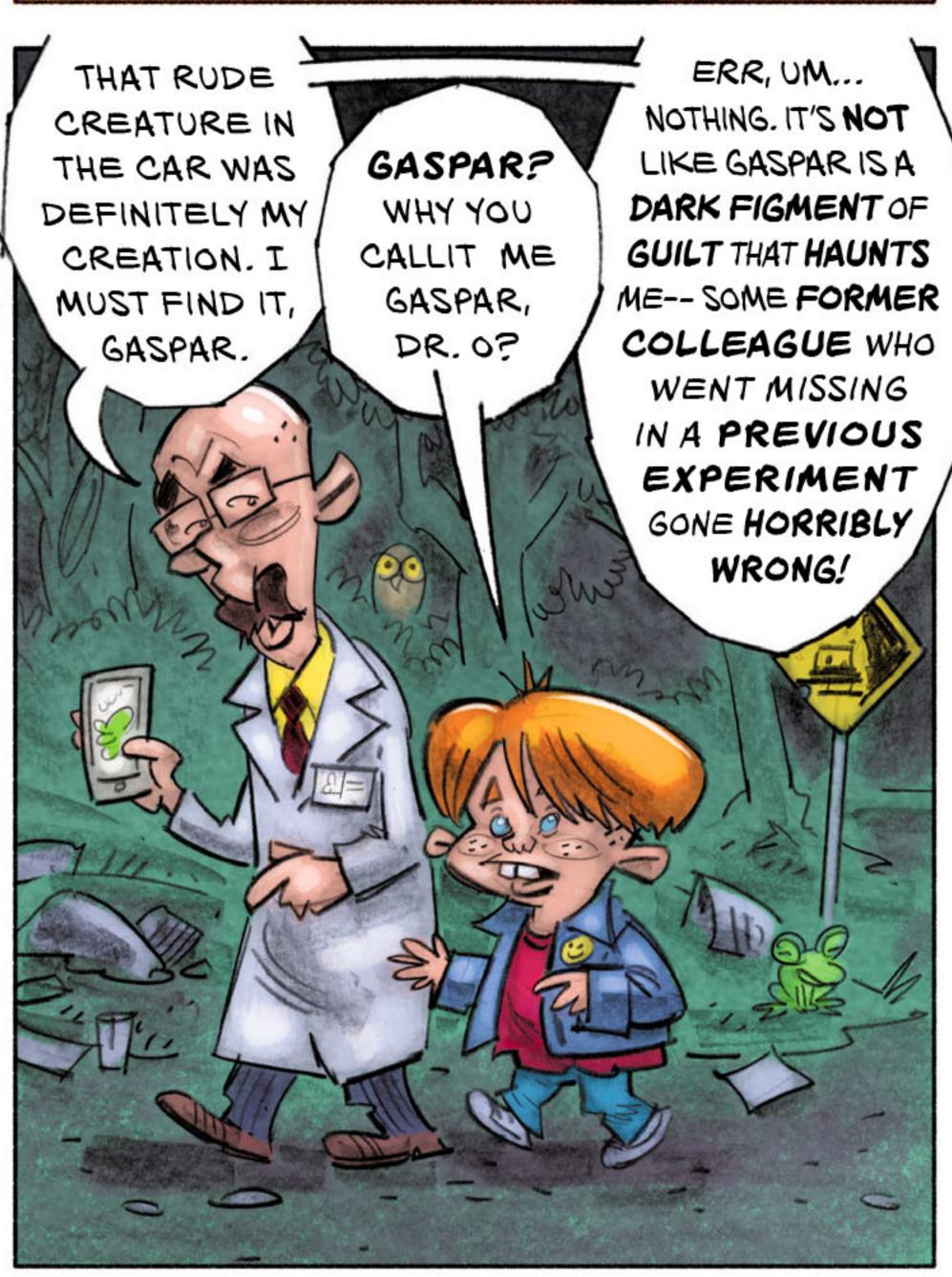








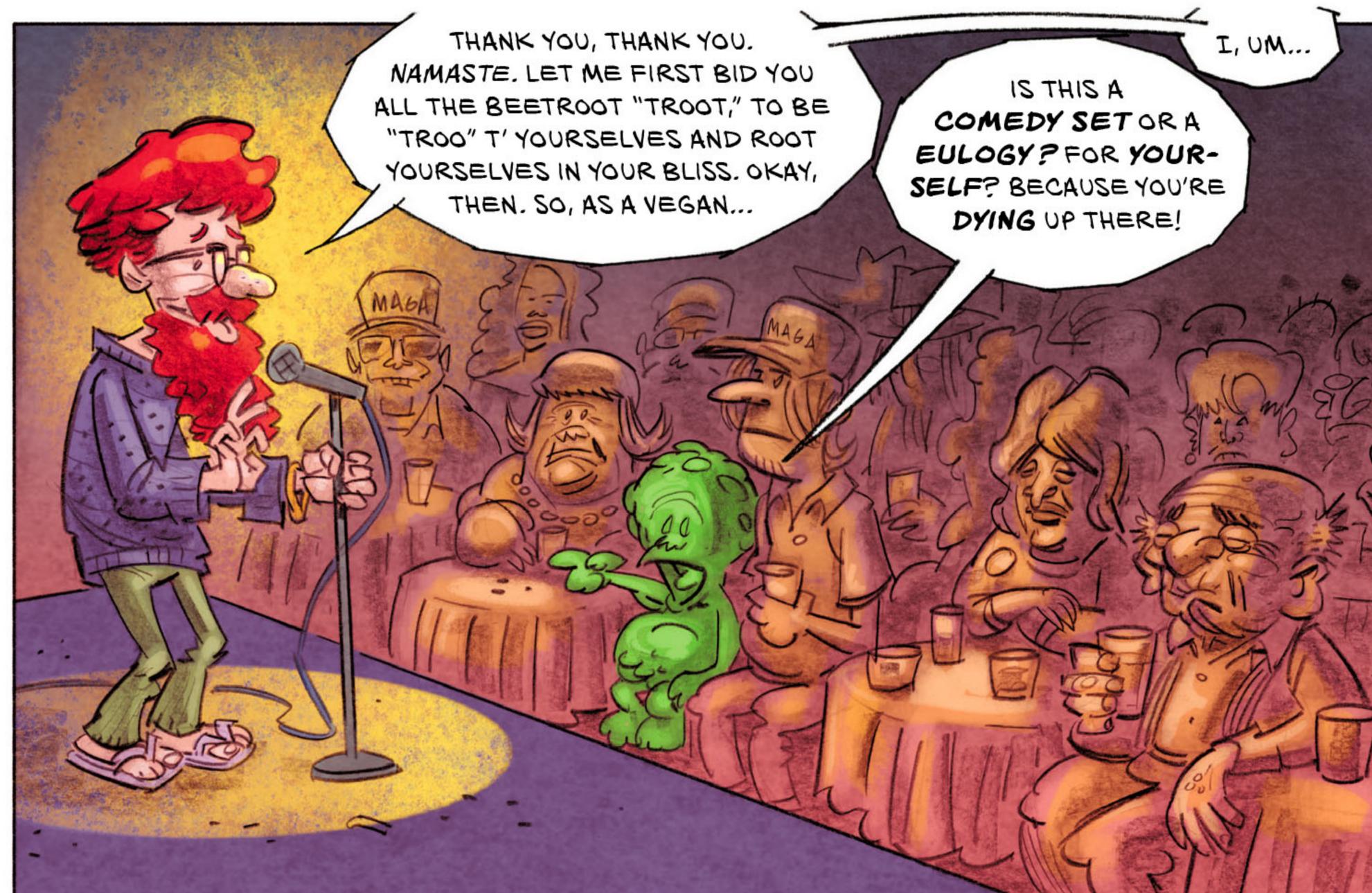










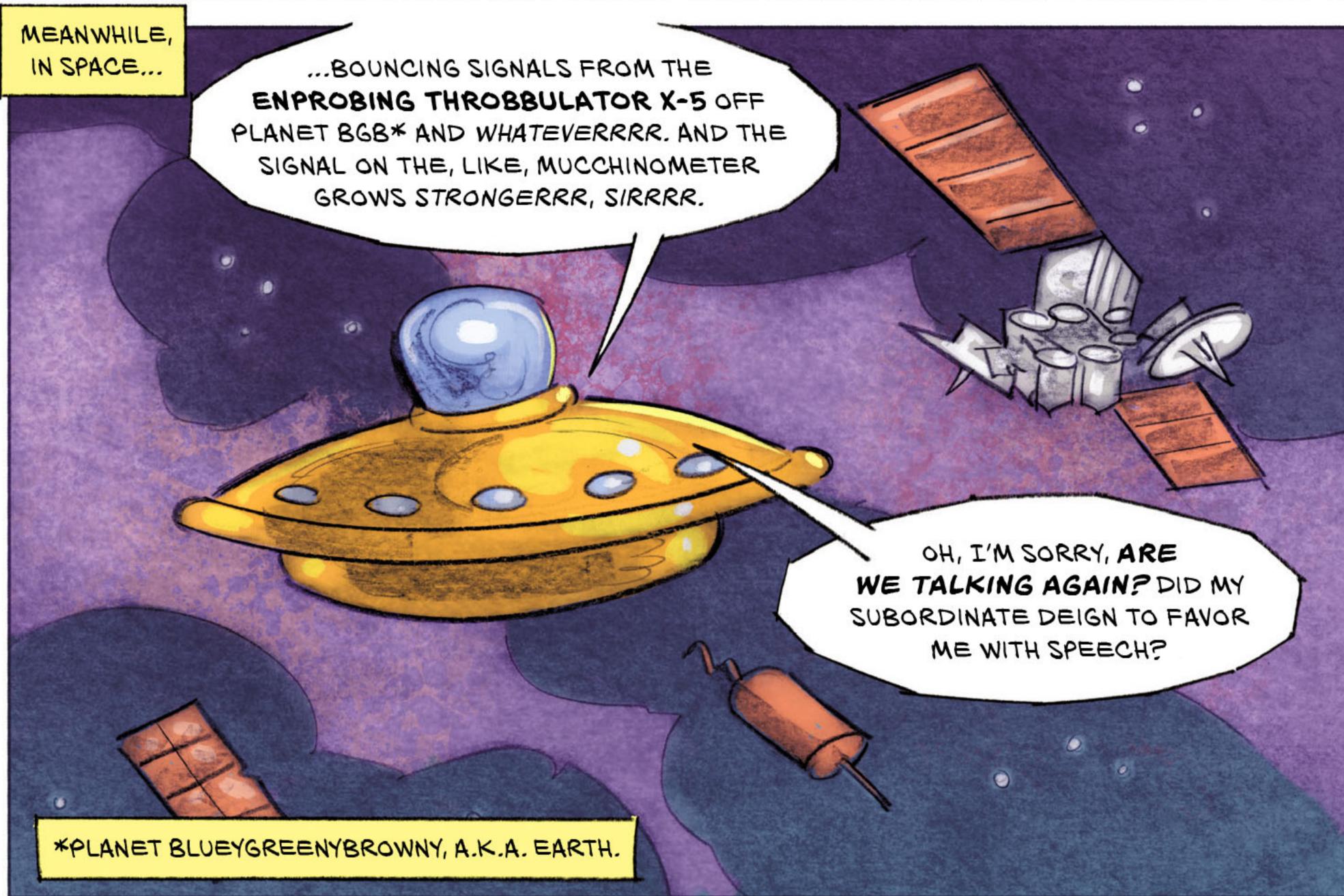


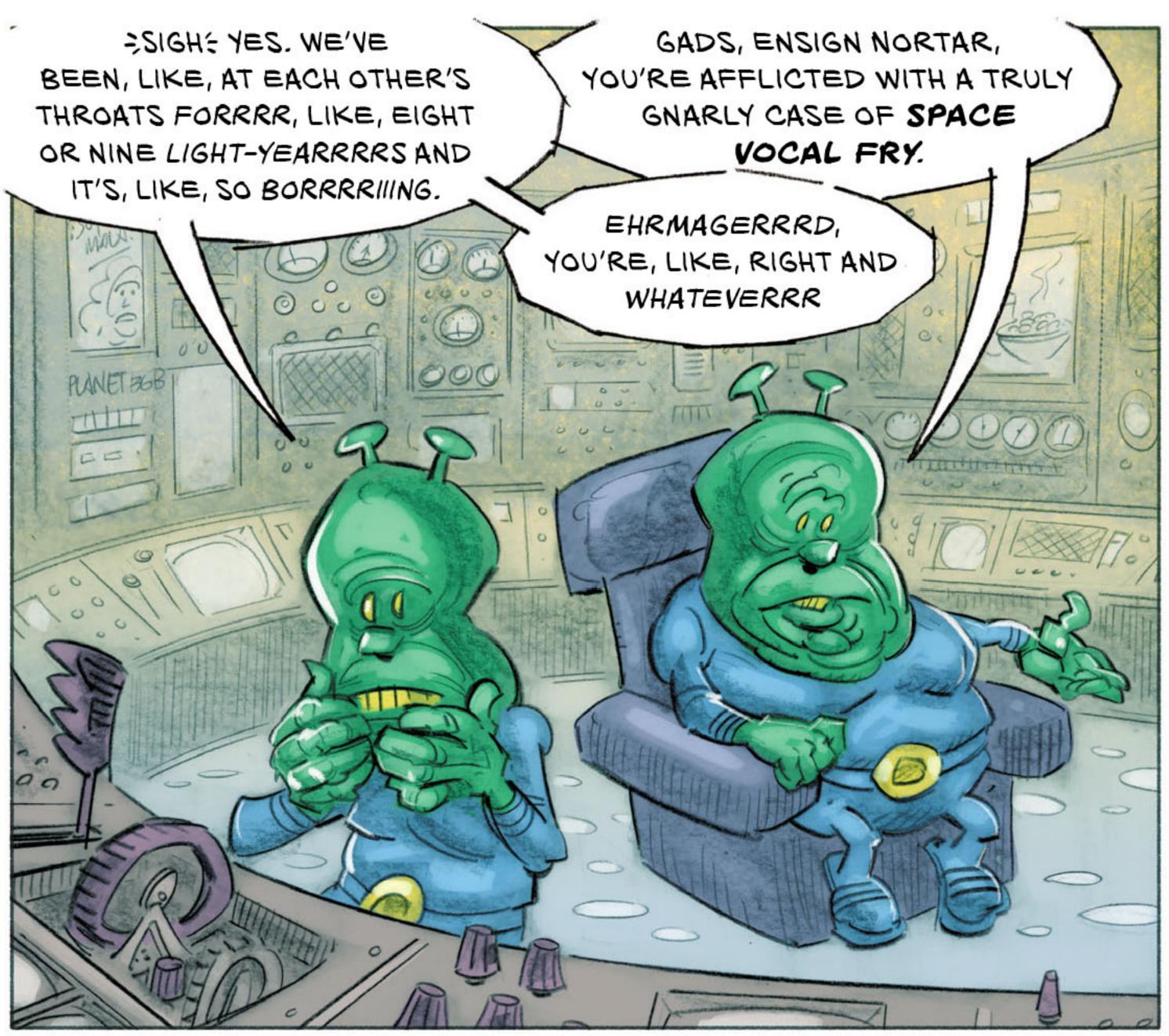


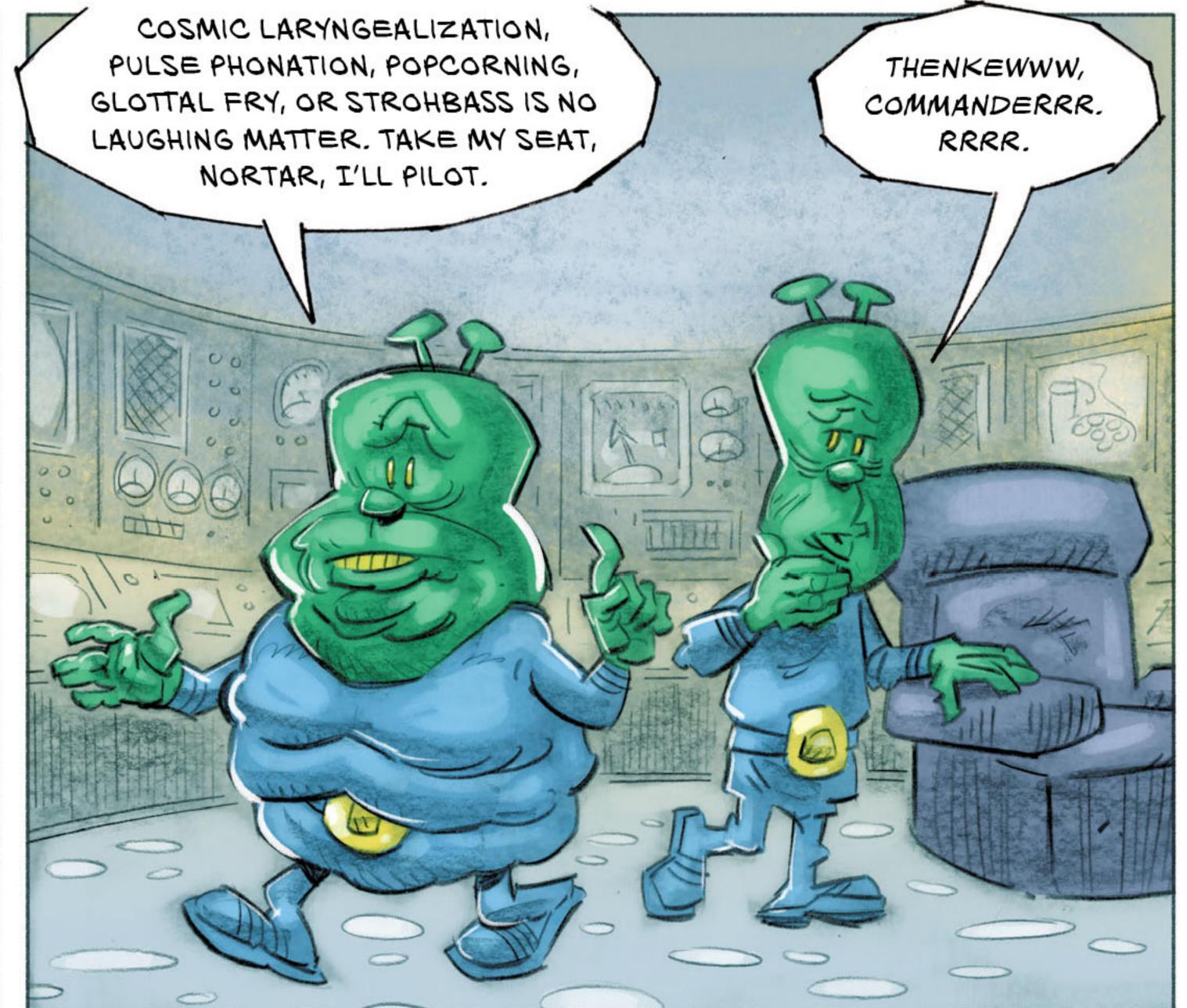


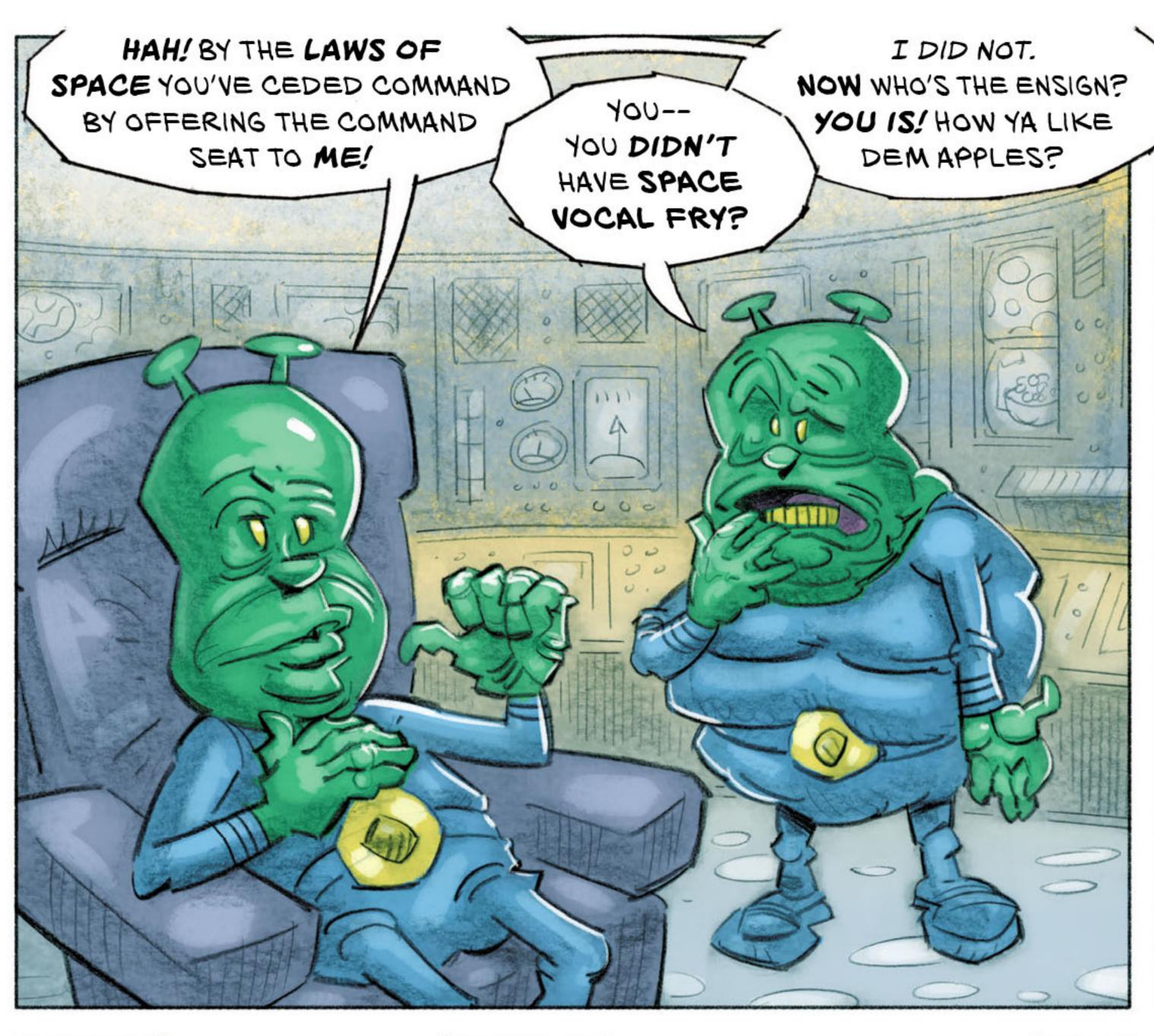


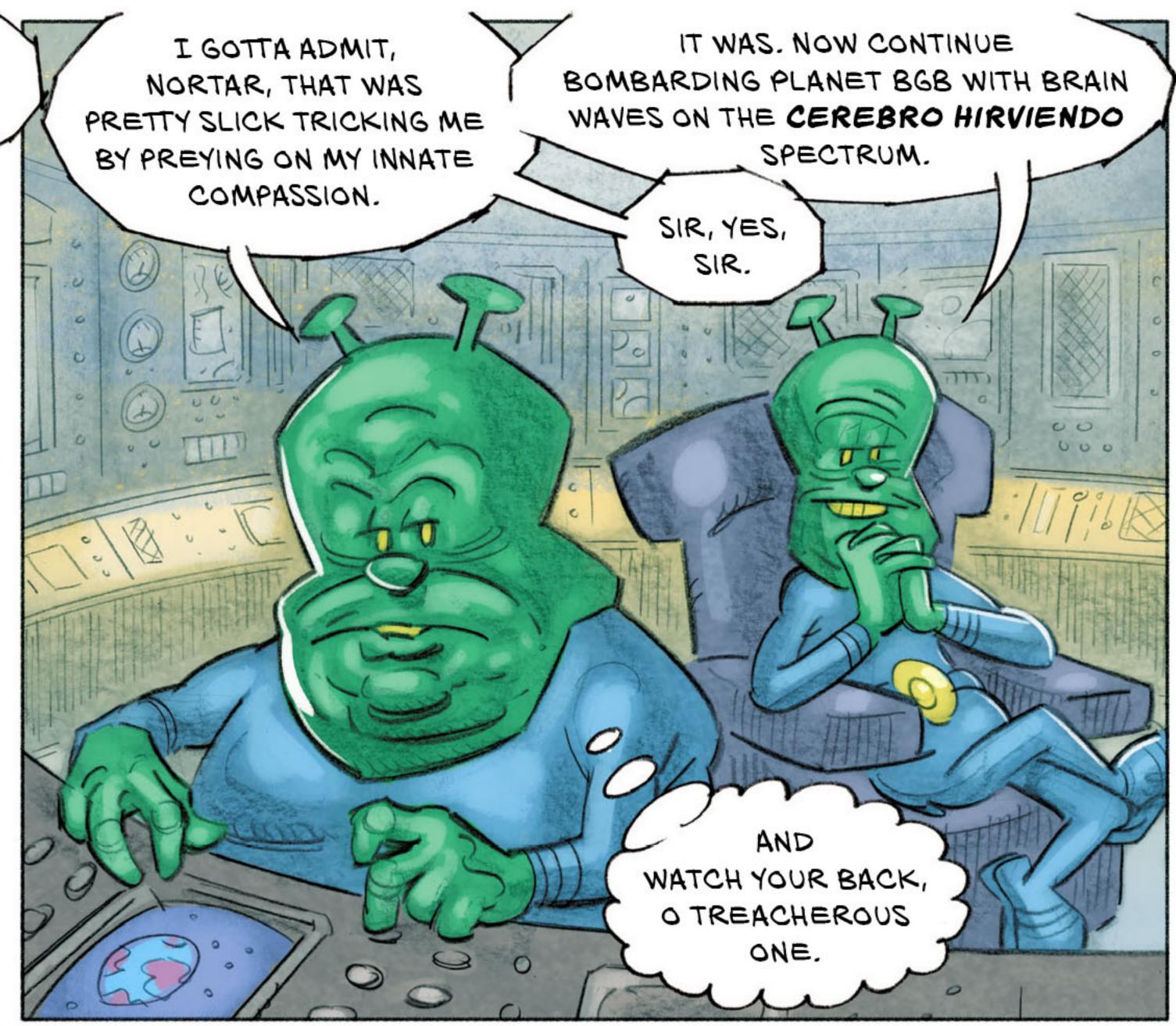




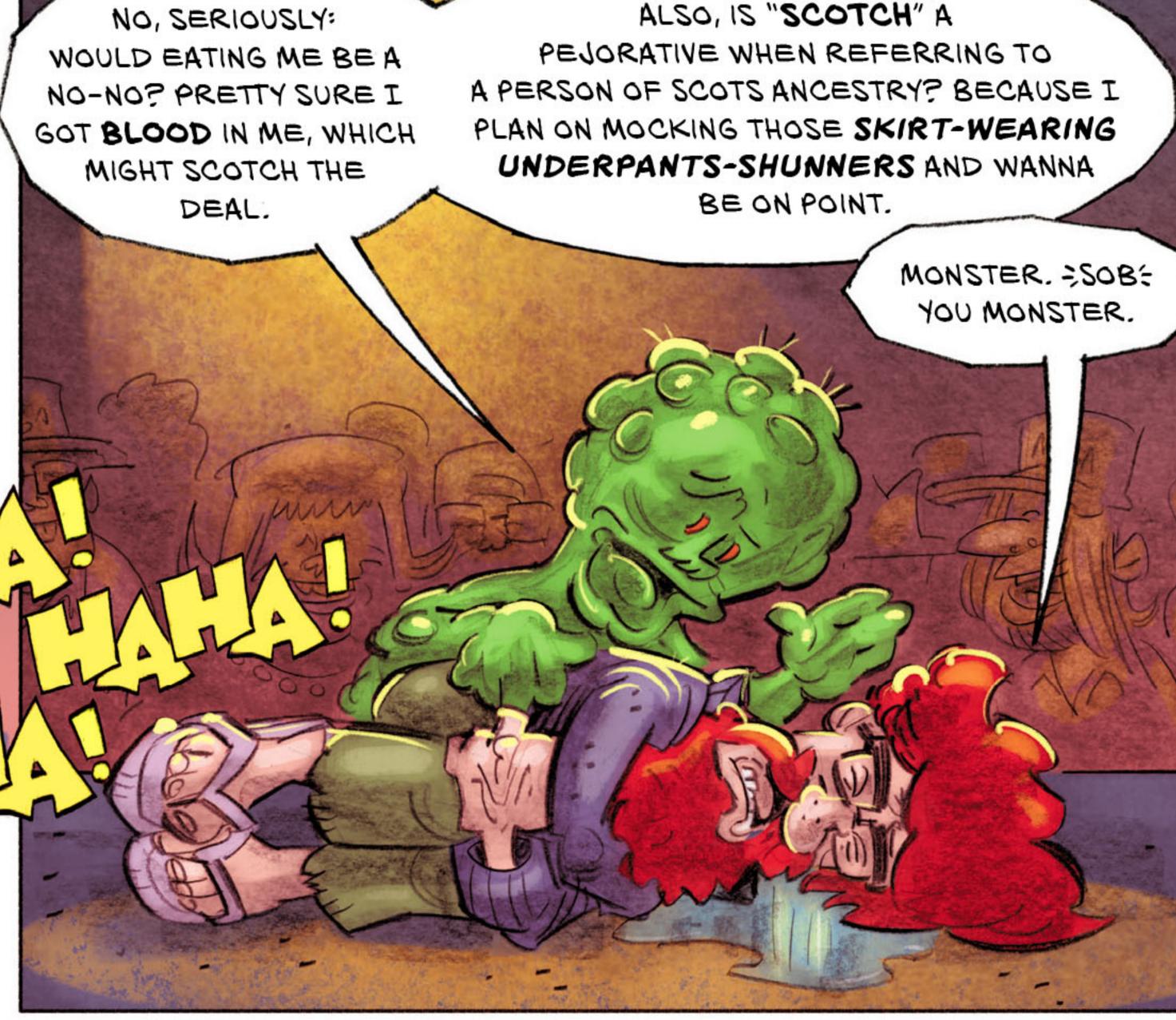


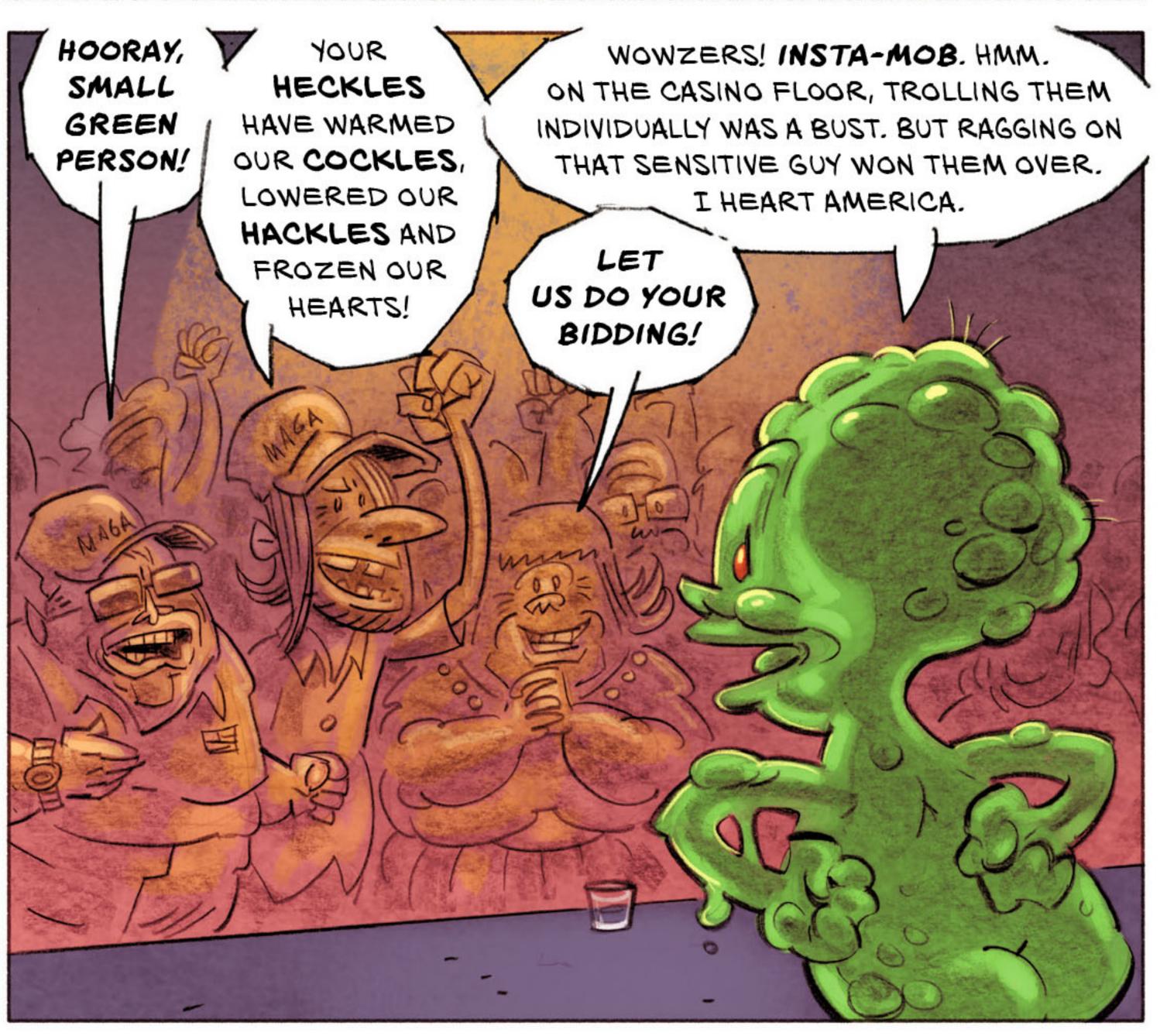


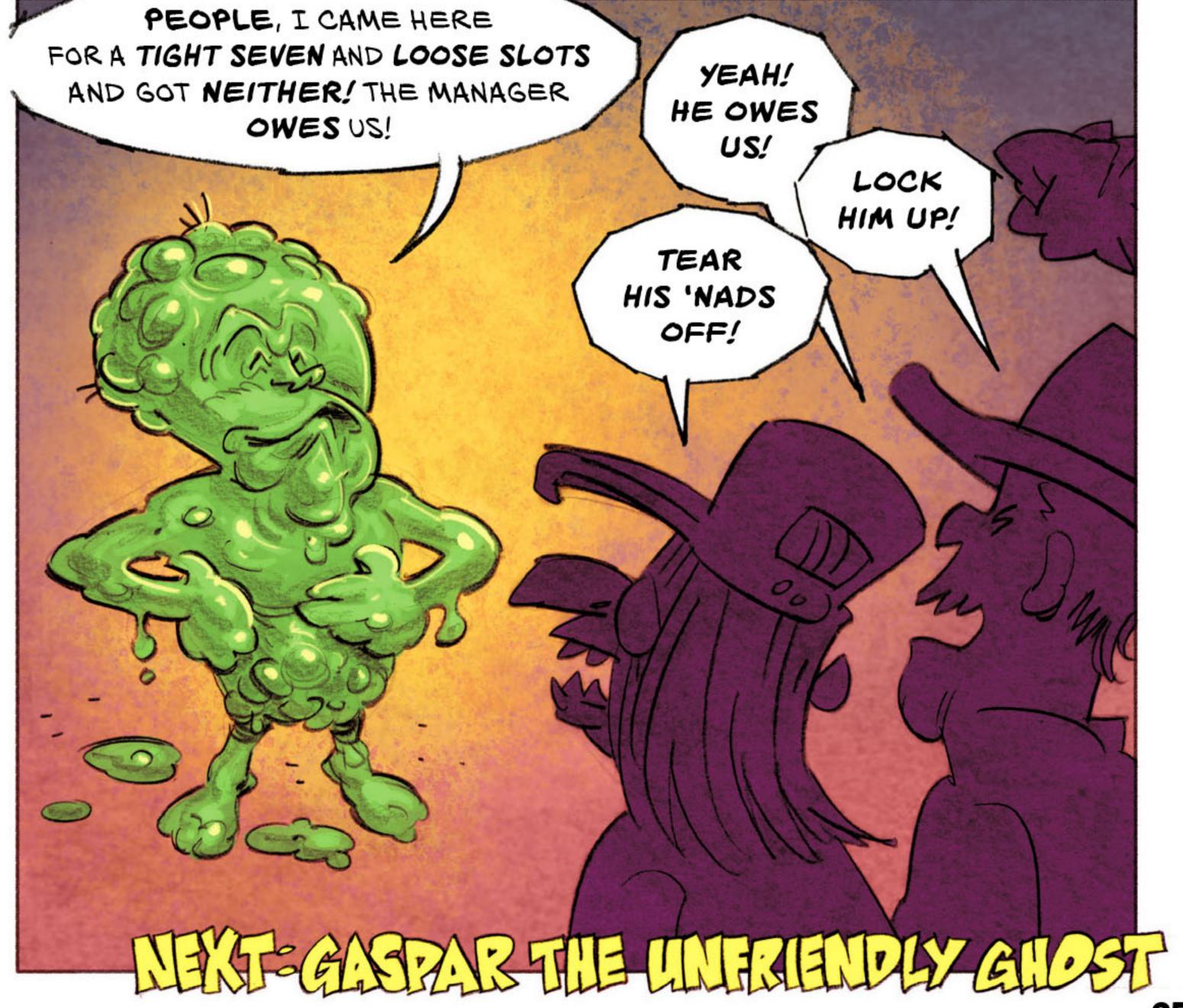












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WRITER & ARTIST KERRY CALLEN

CURRY AND SWABS









I HATE

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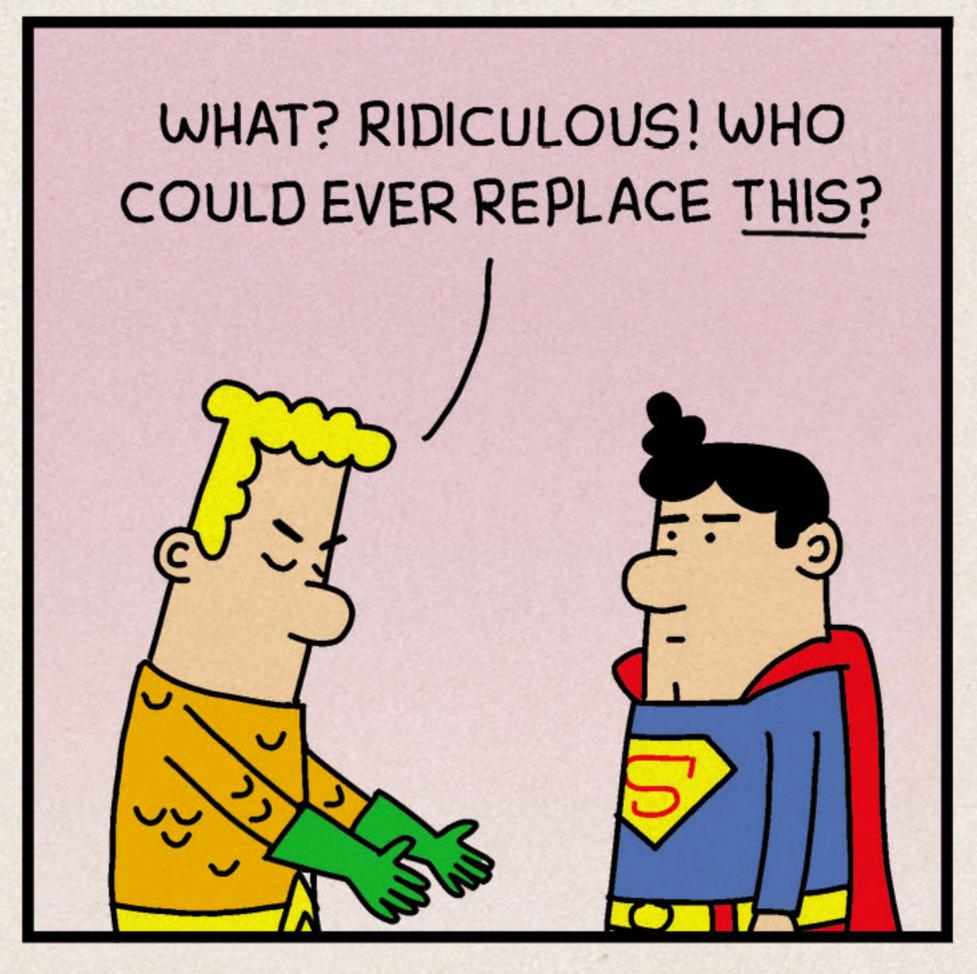
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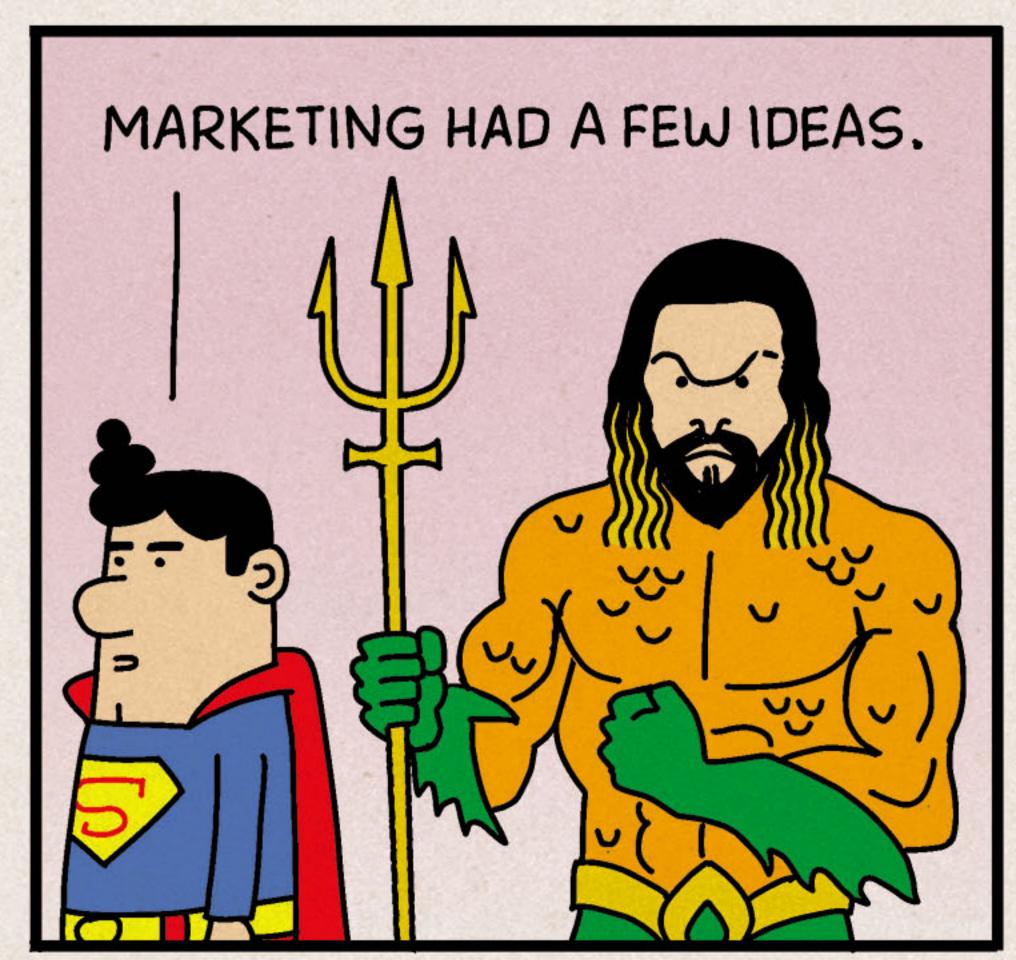


"Mera! You're home early."

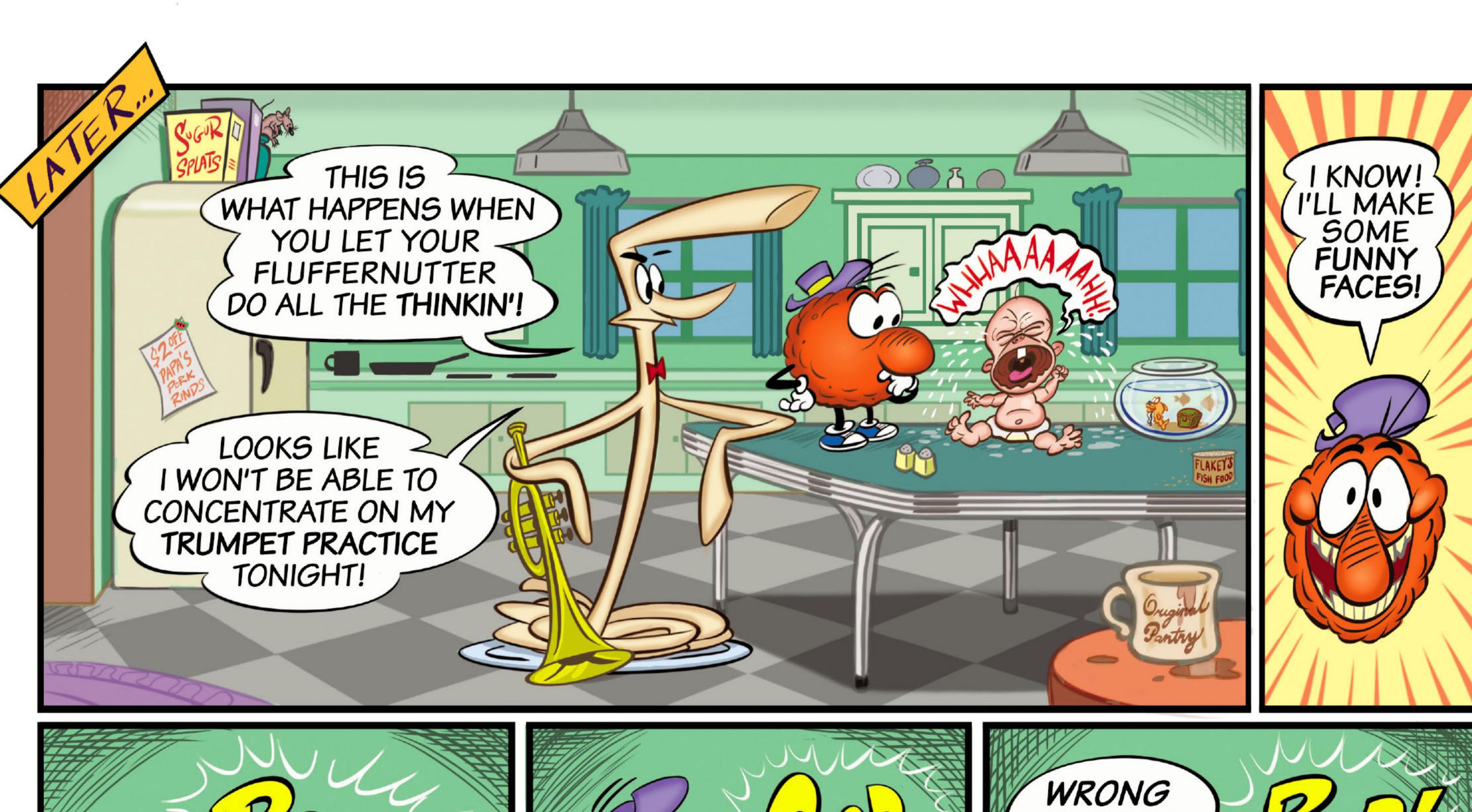
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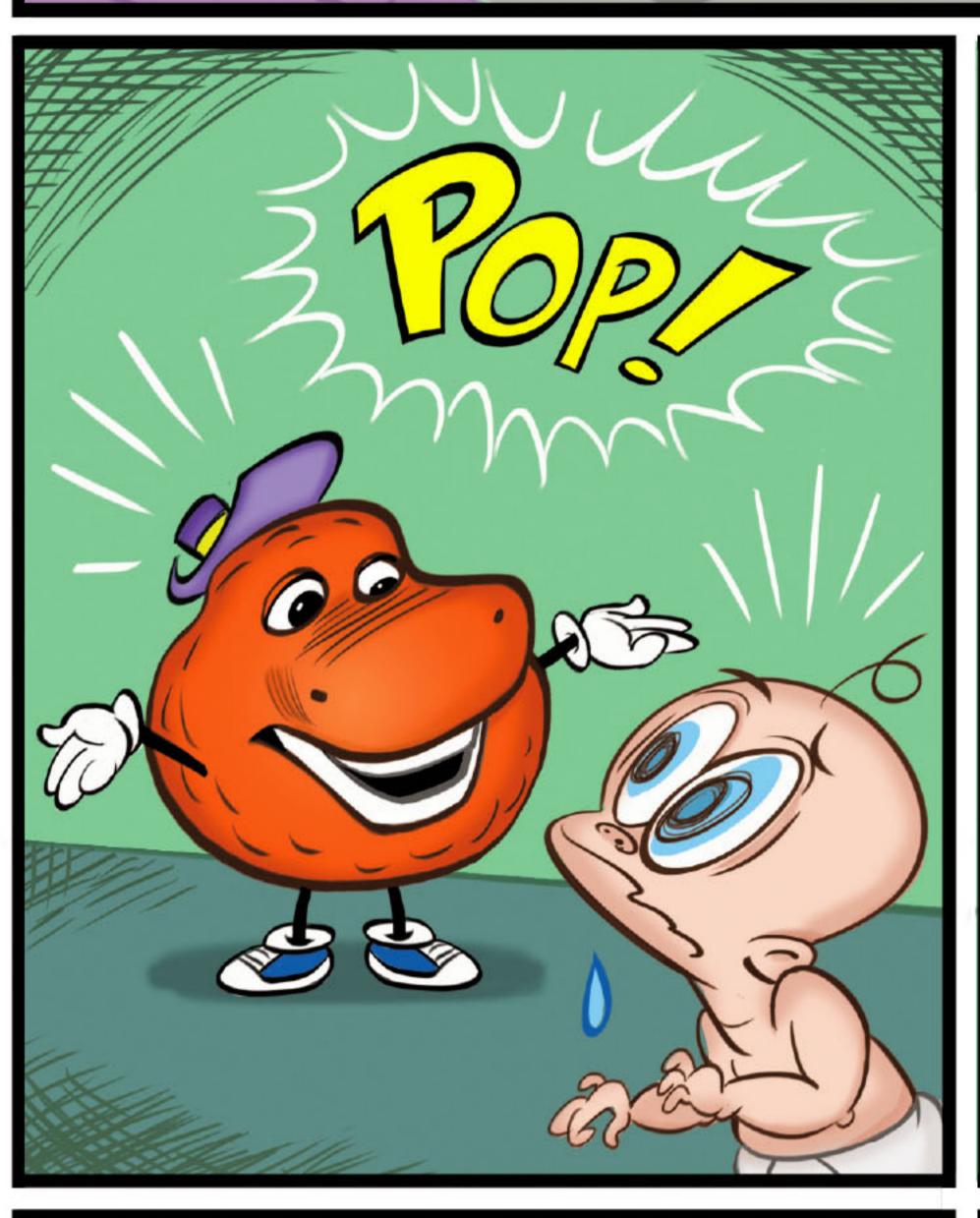


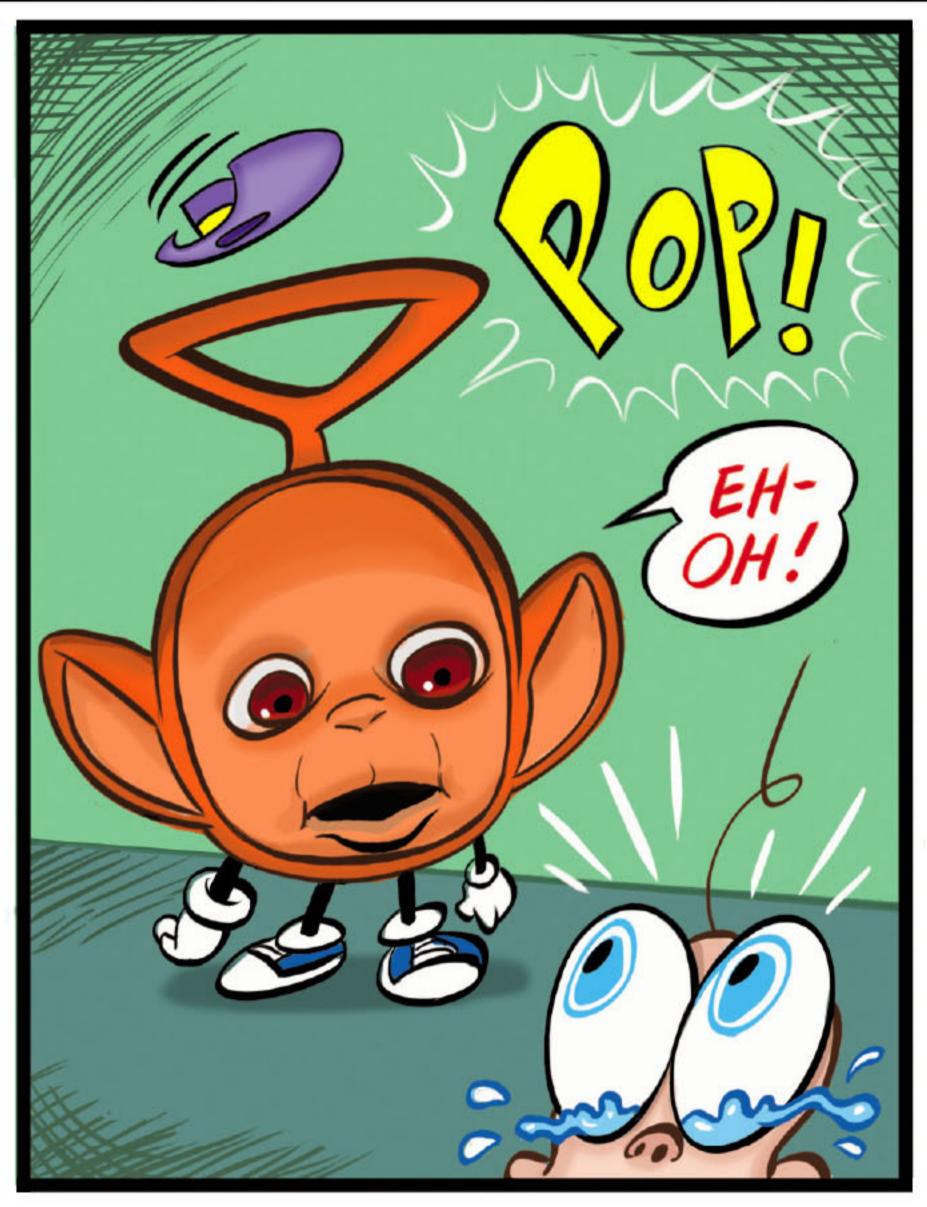




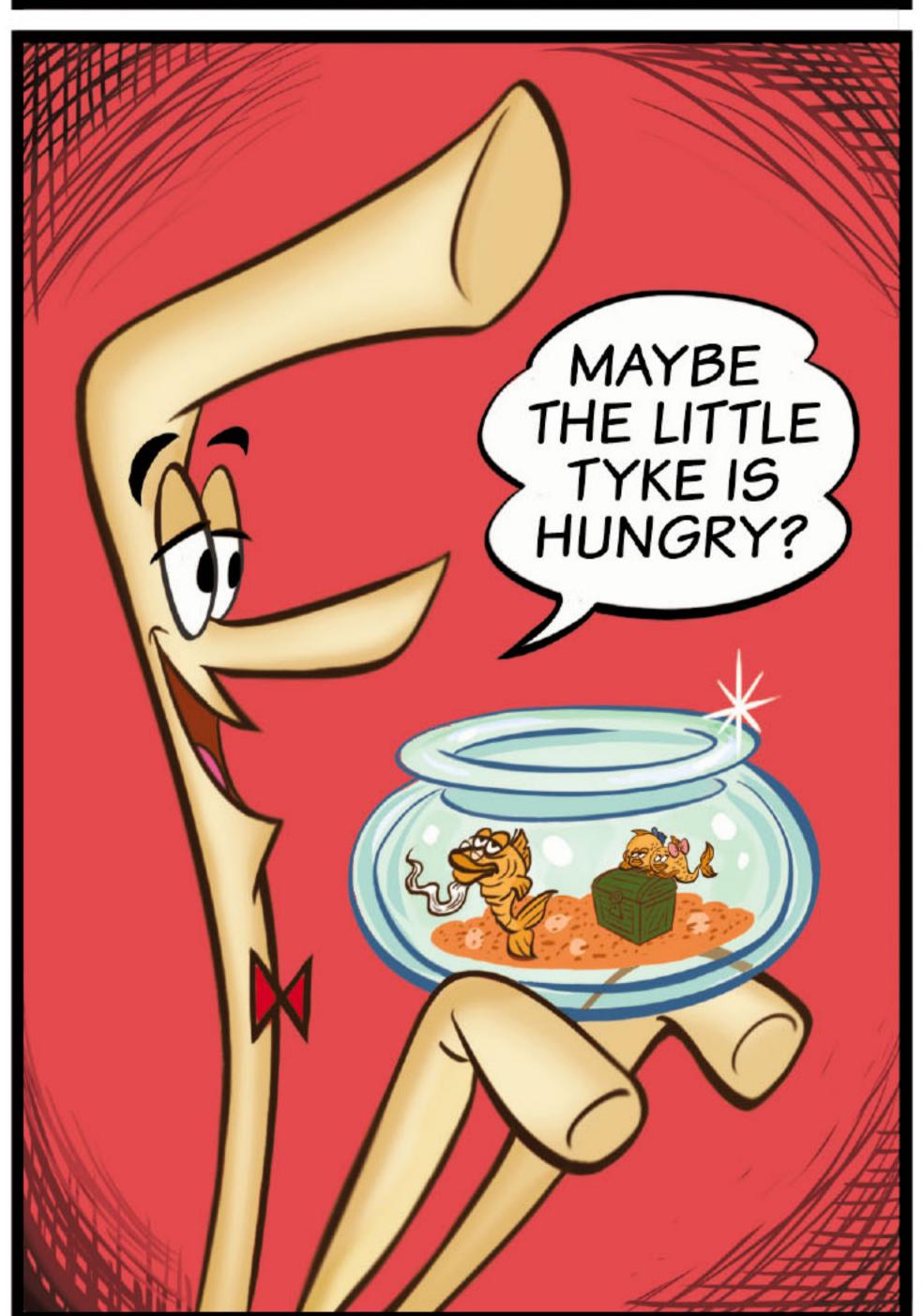


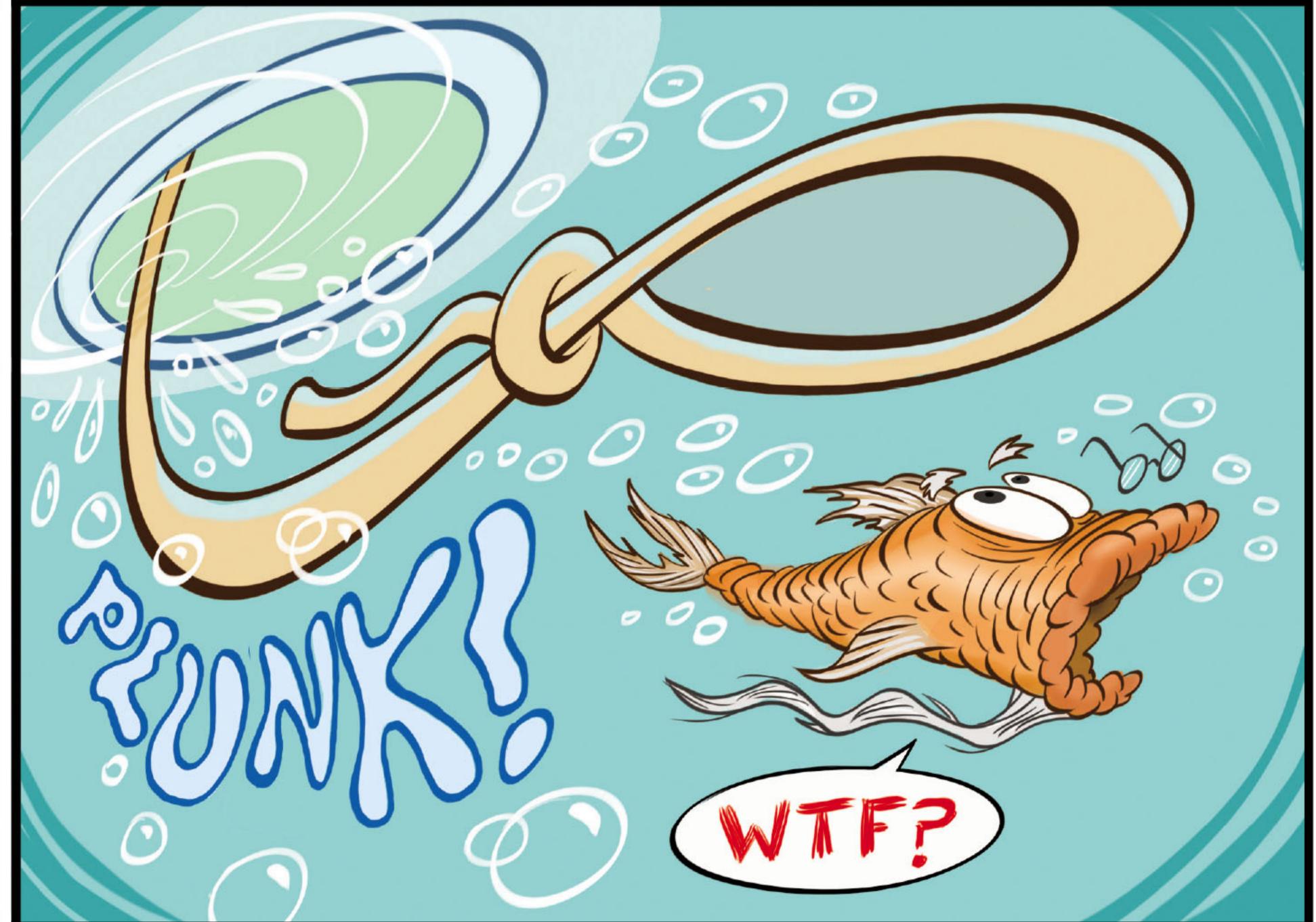


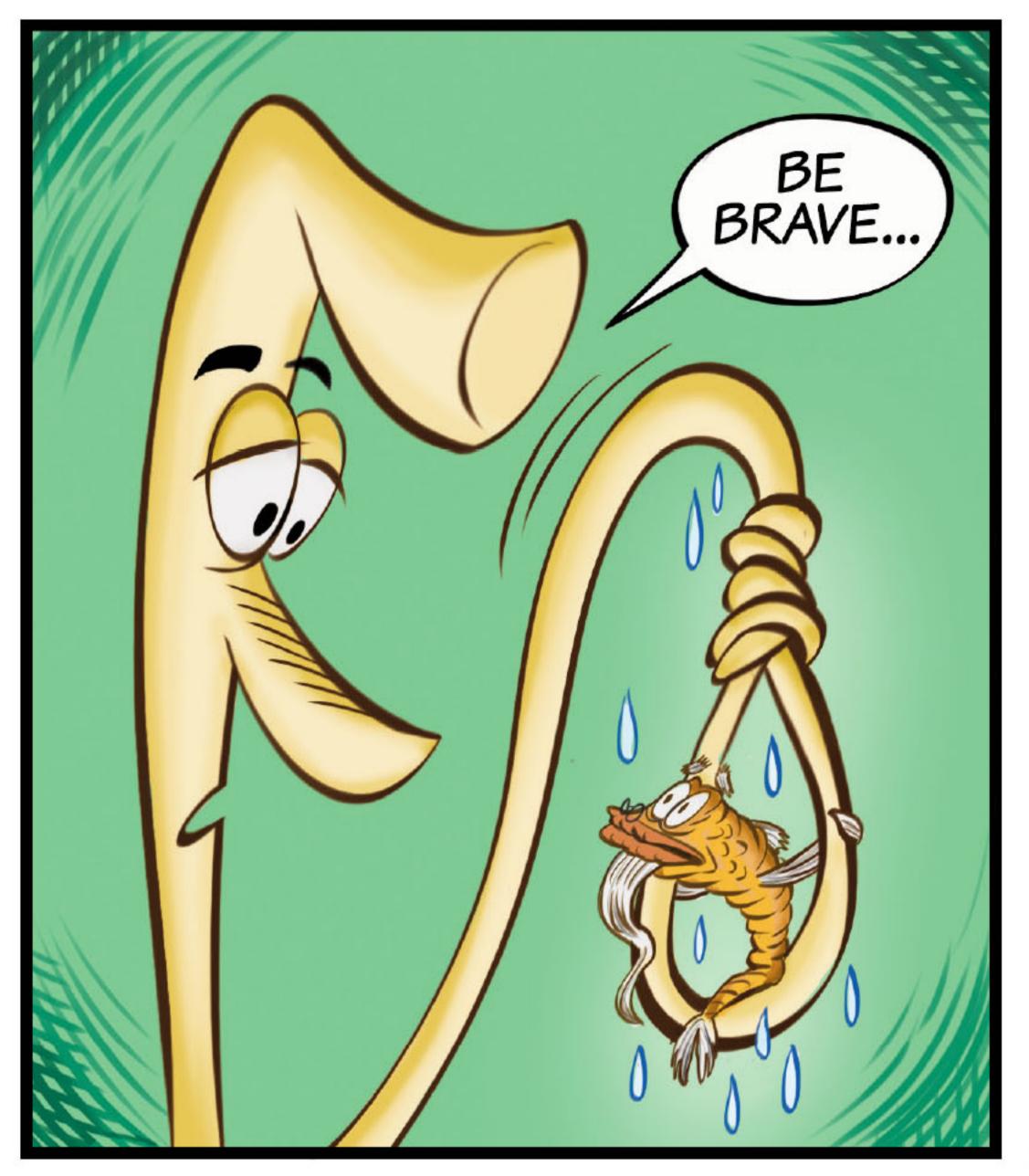




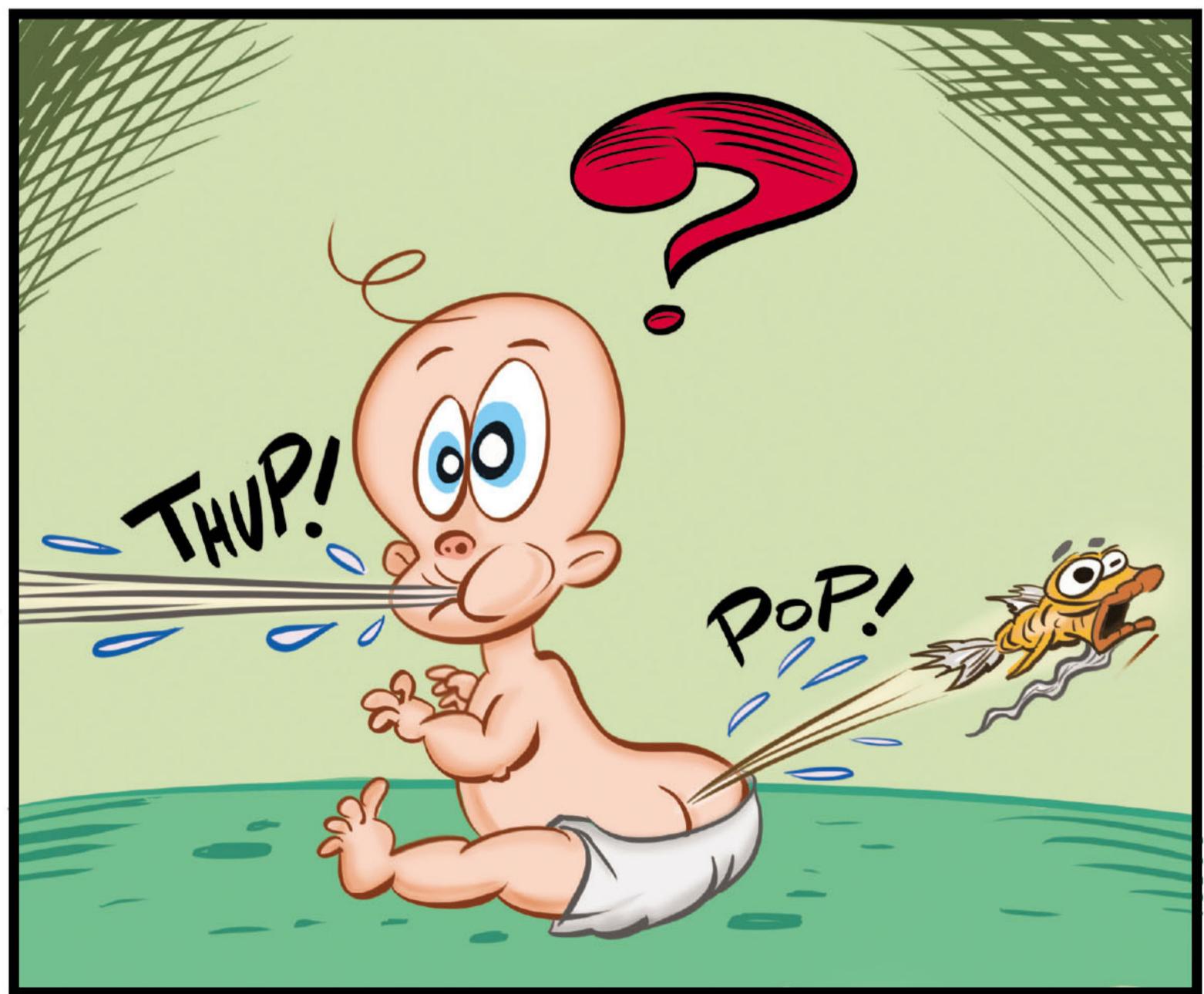


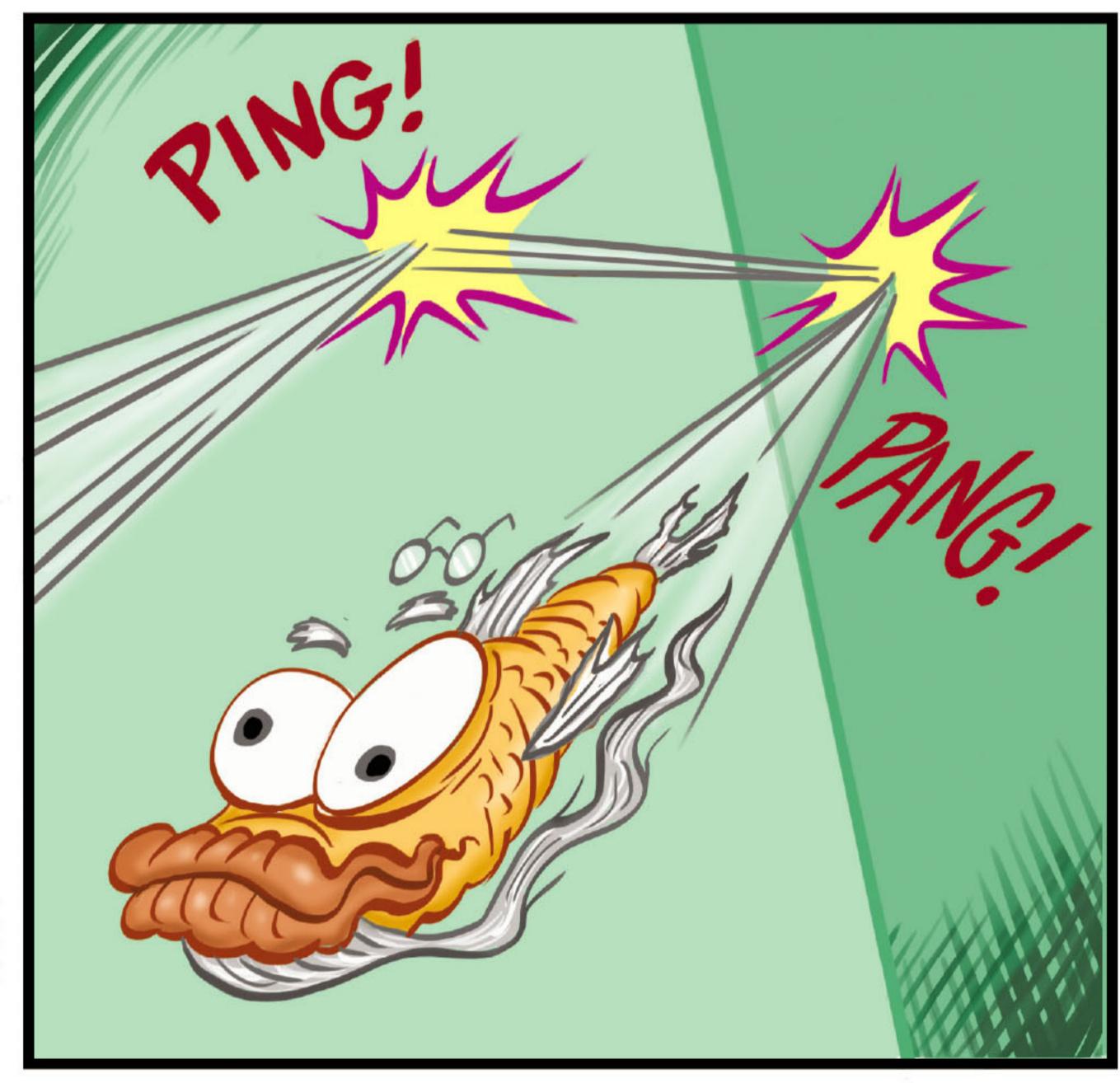






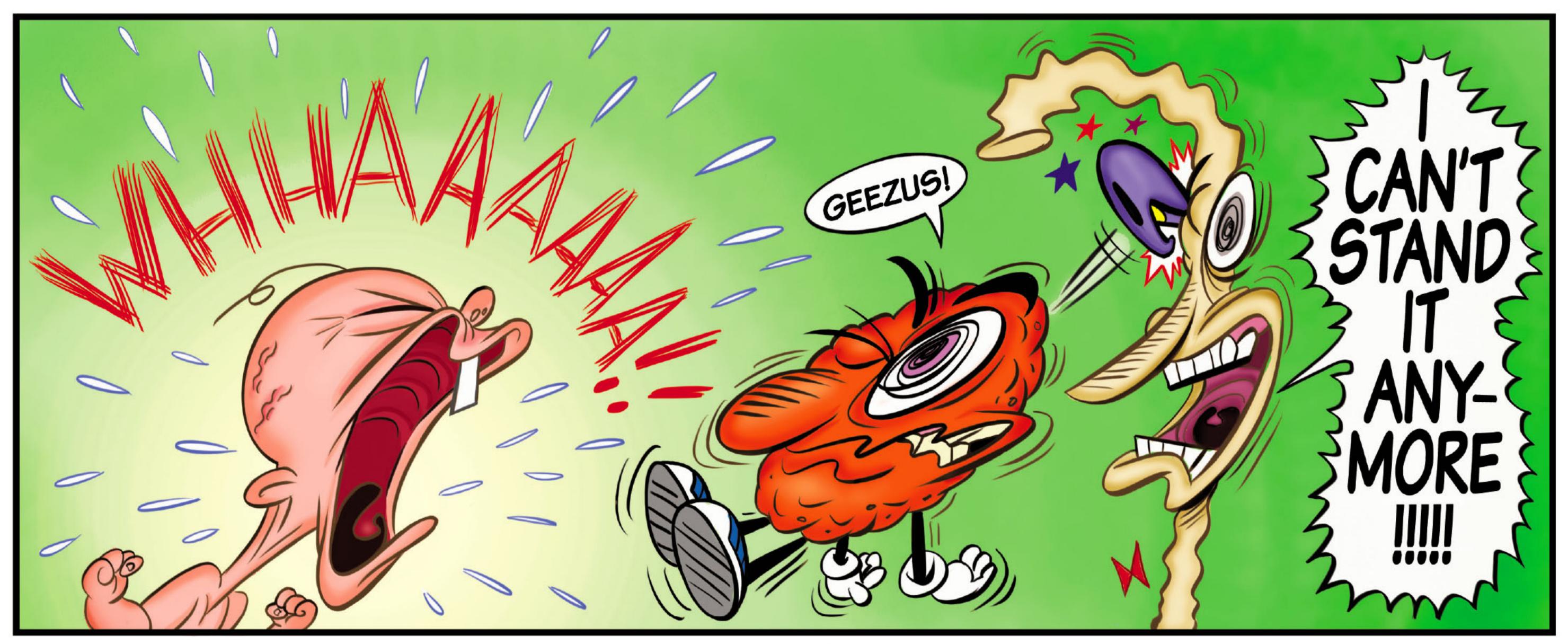




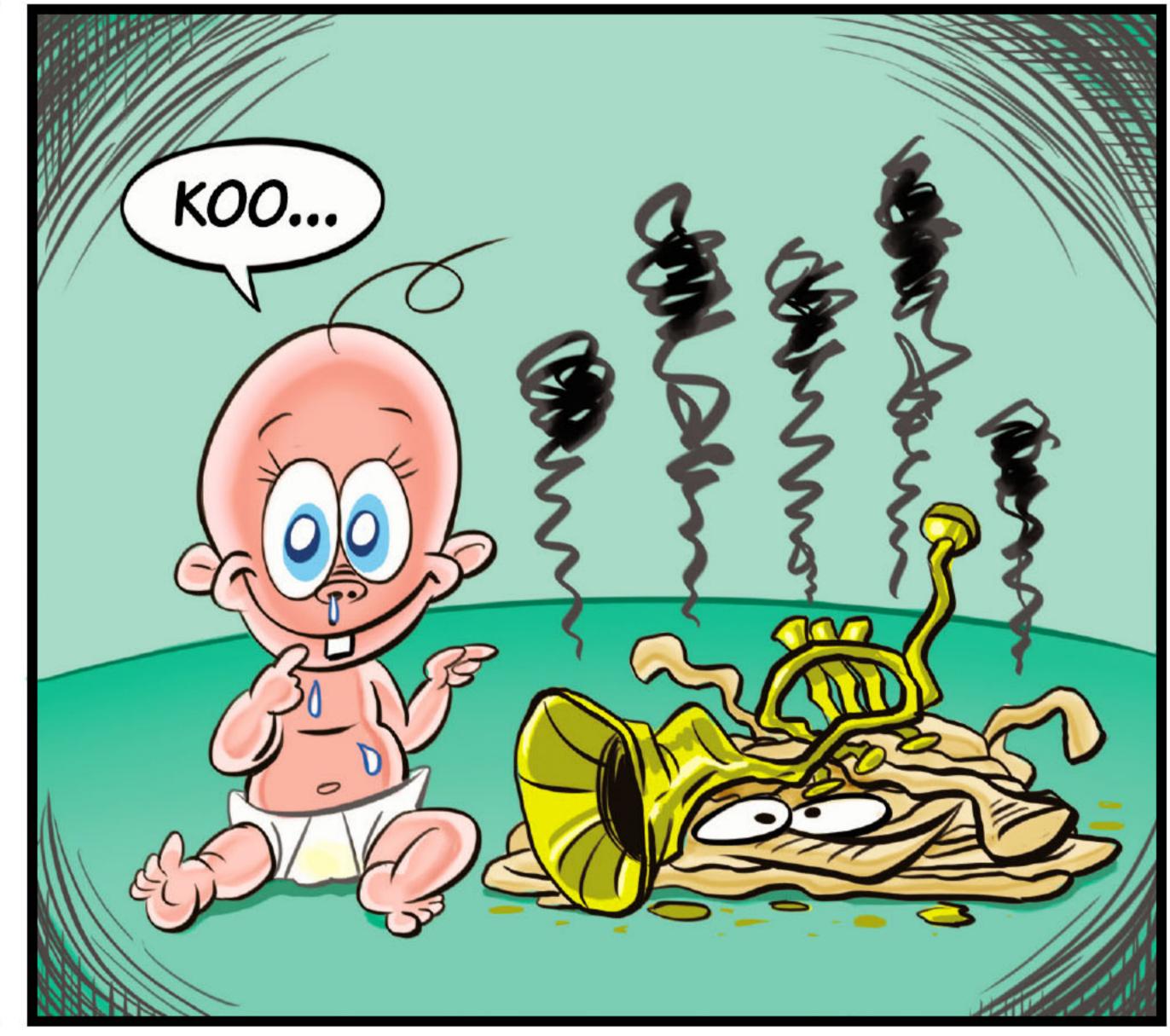


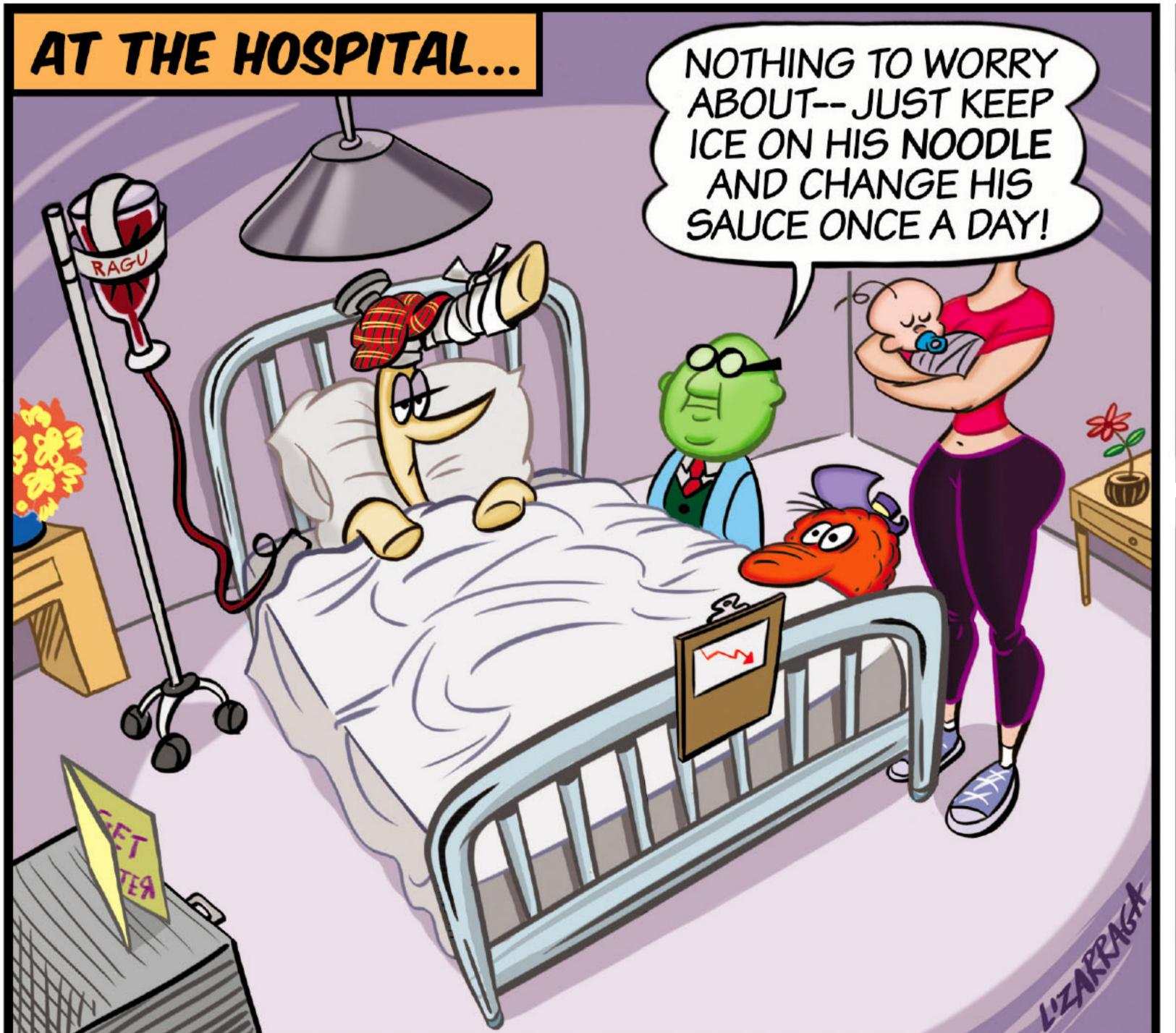


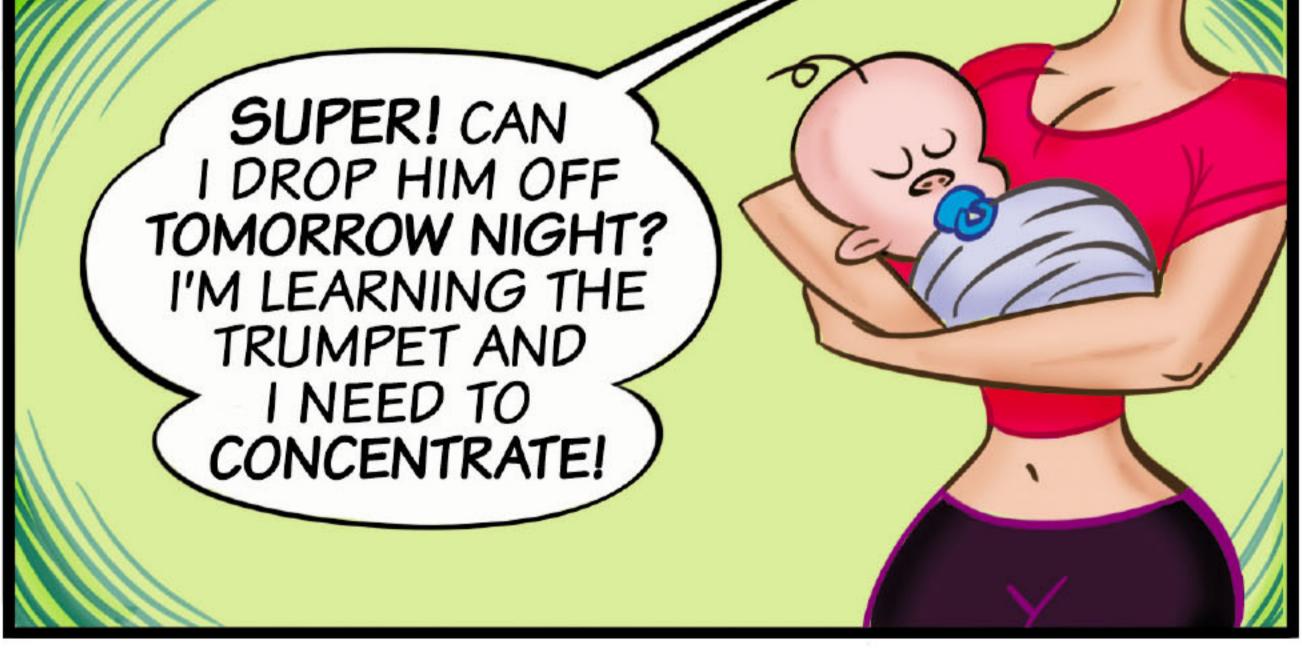


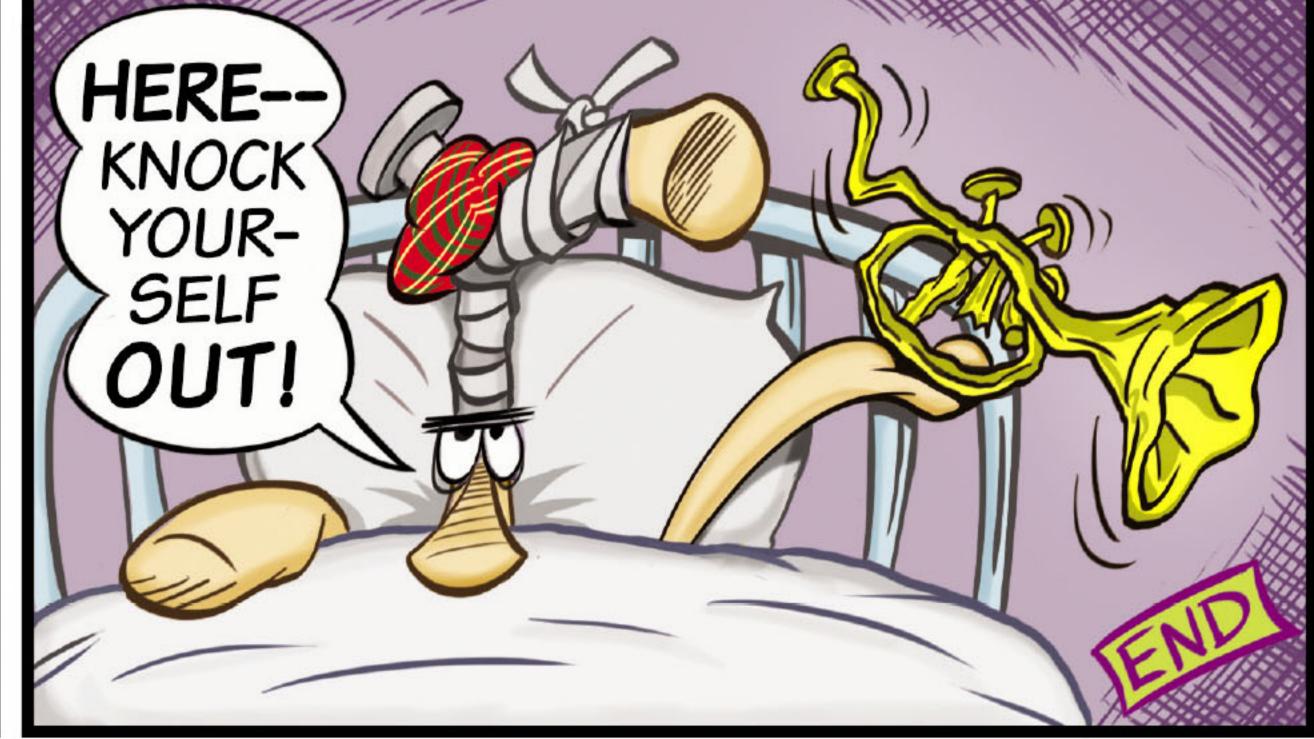




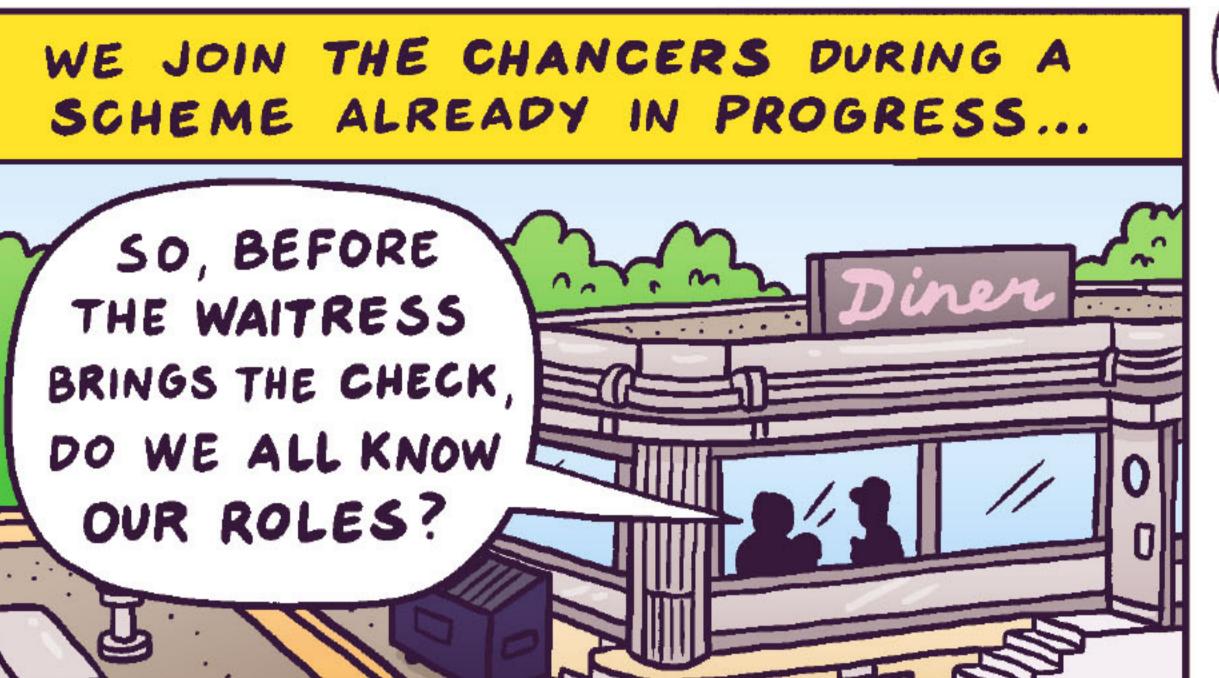


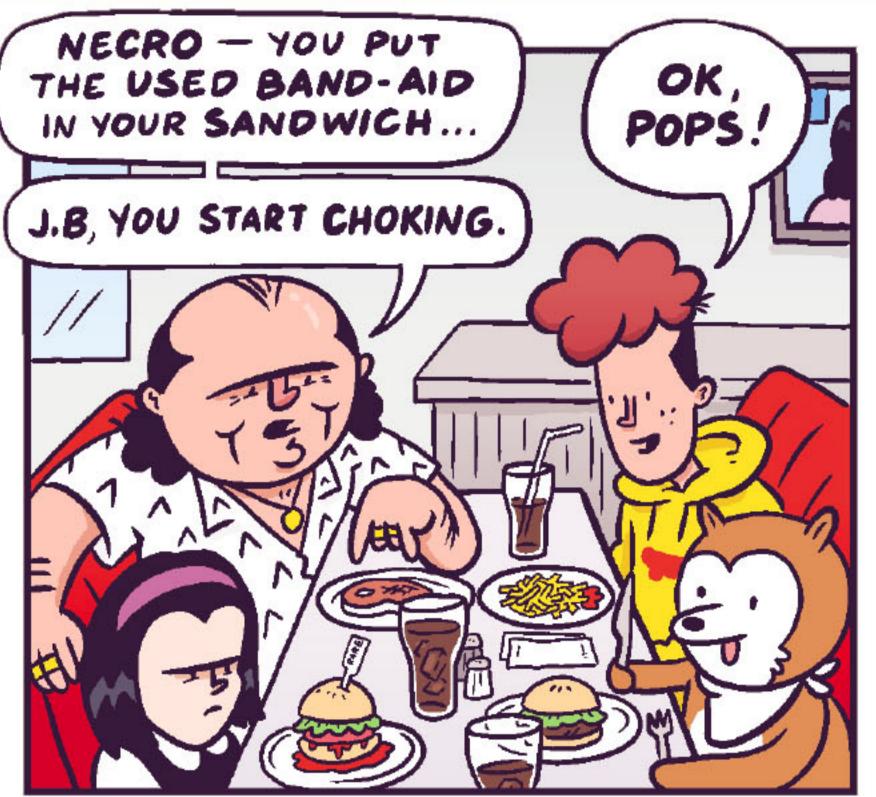






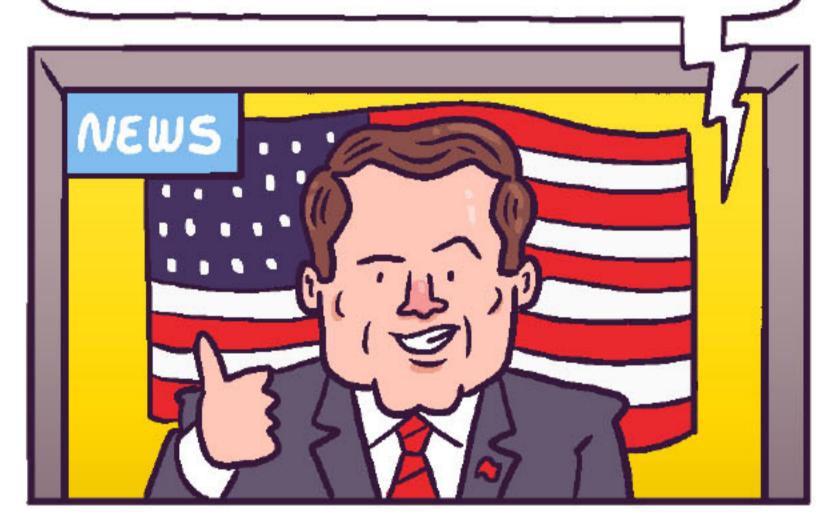
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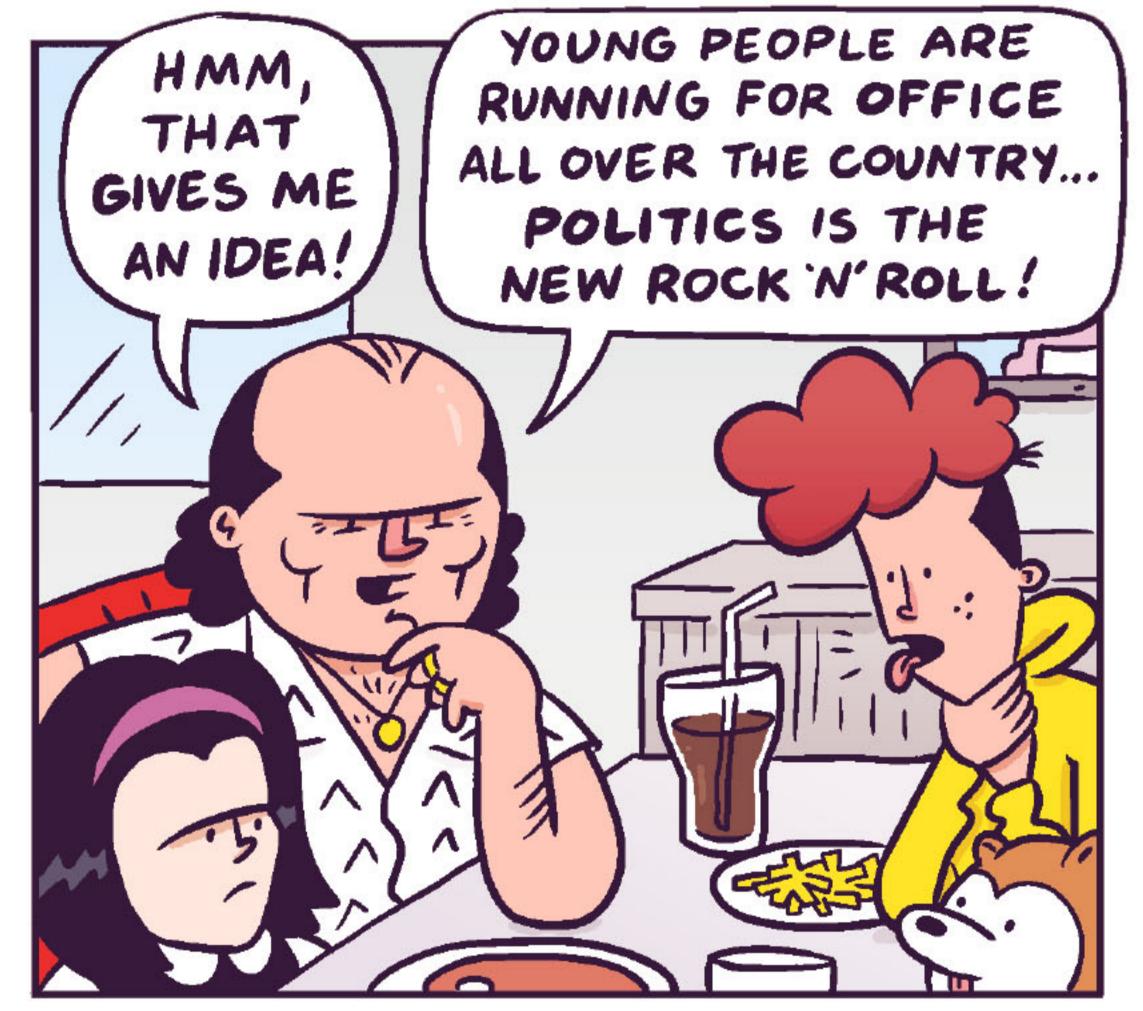


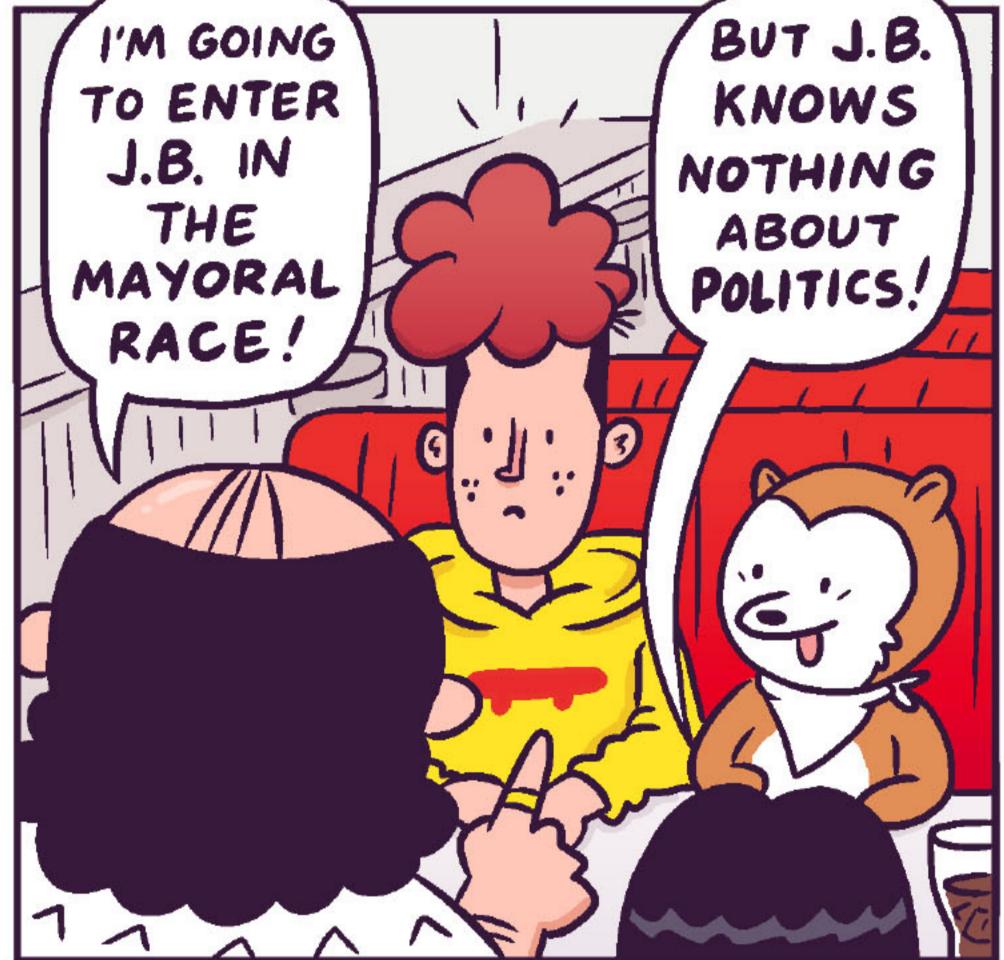


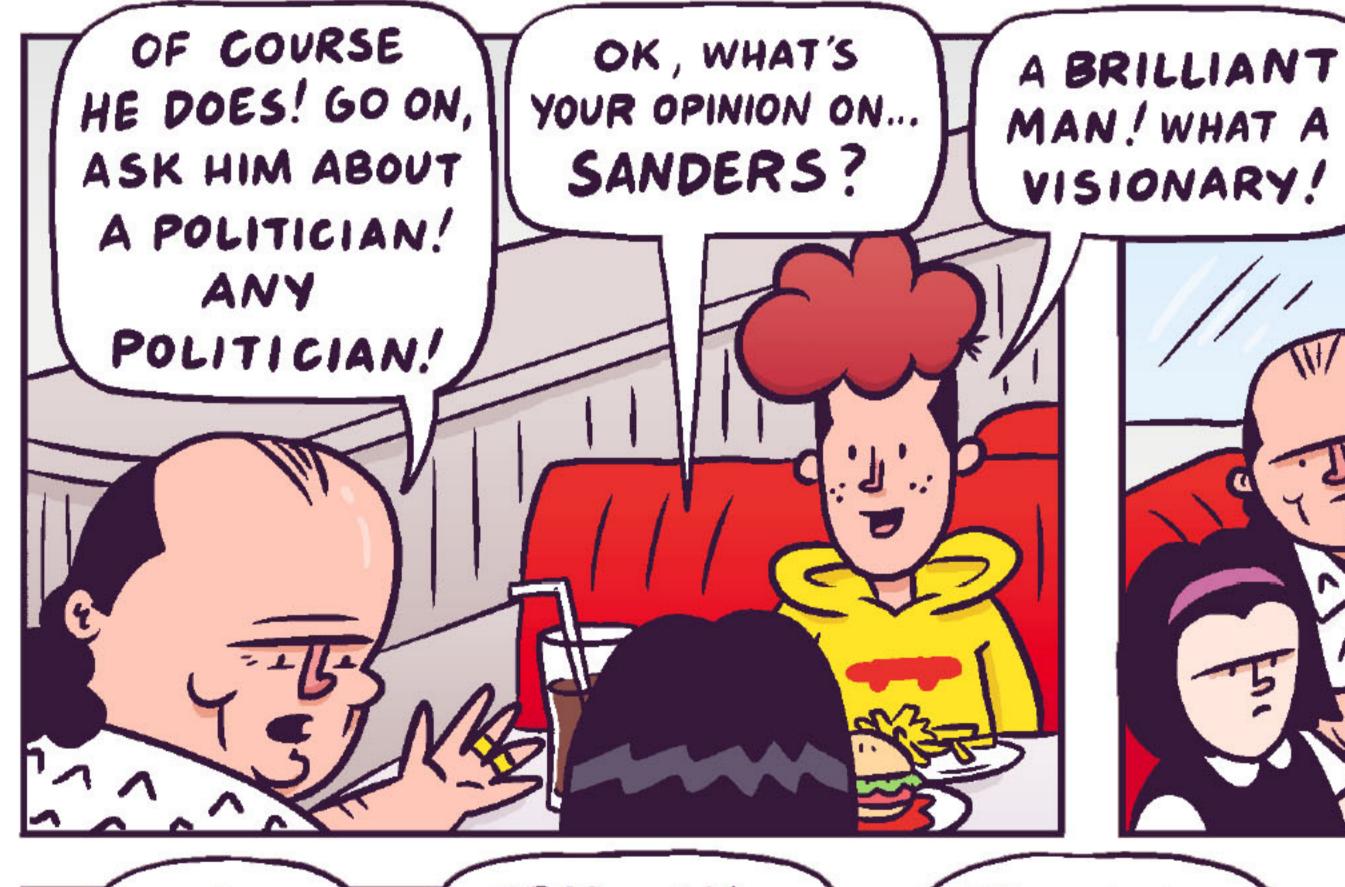


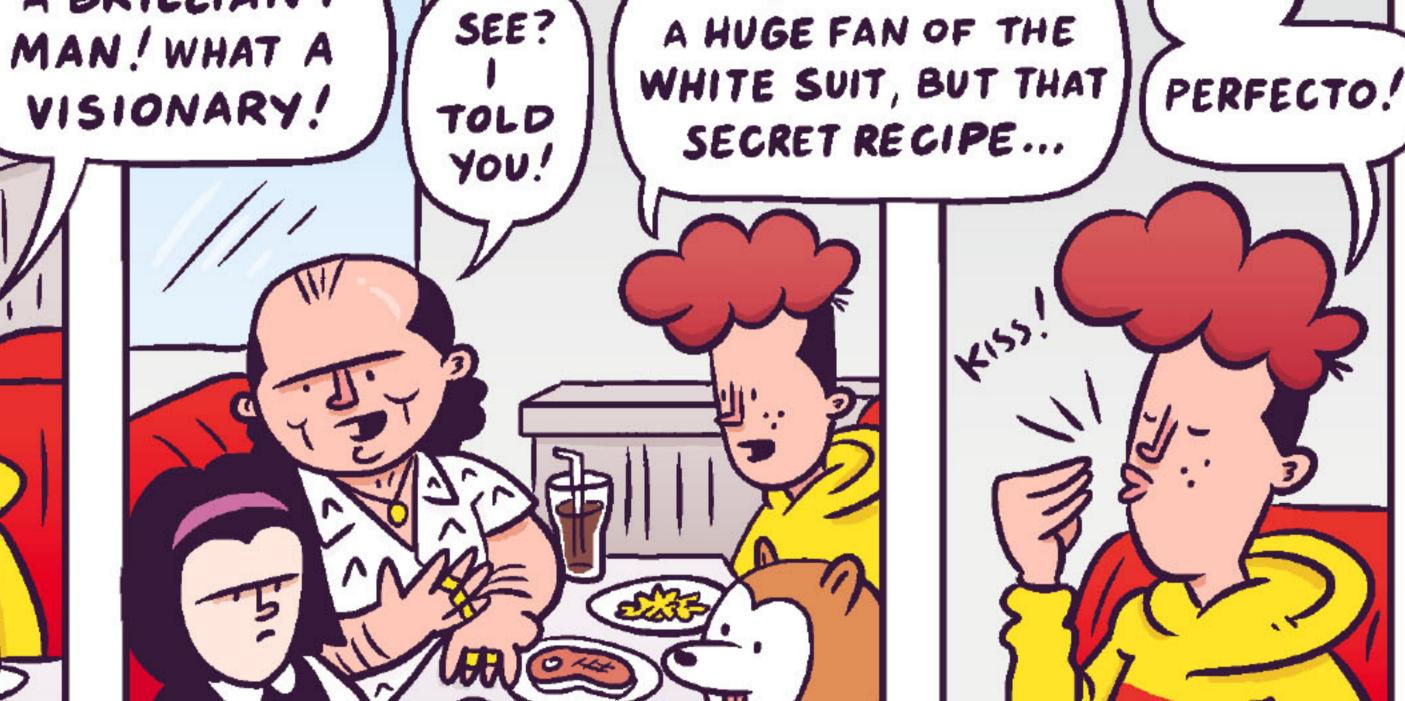
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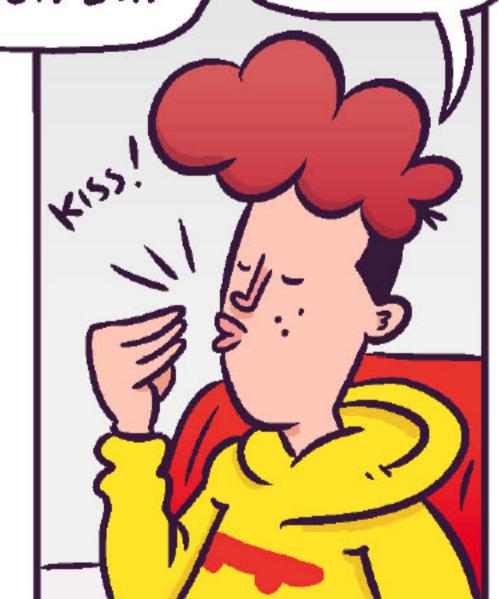




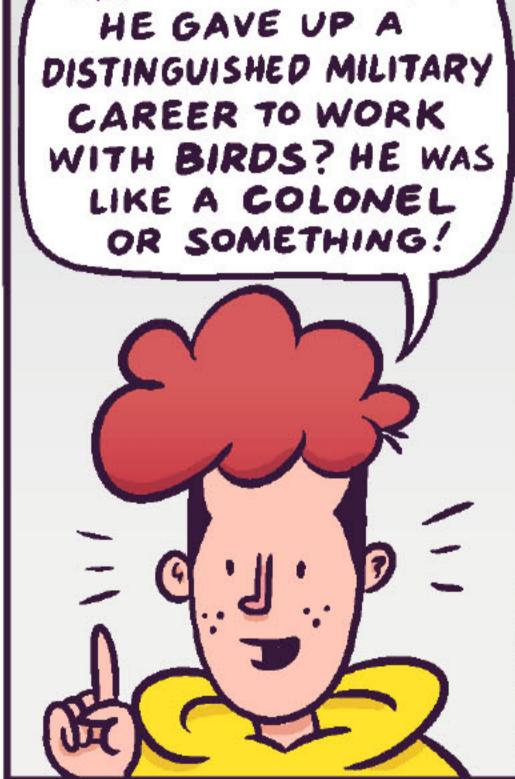




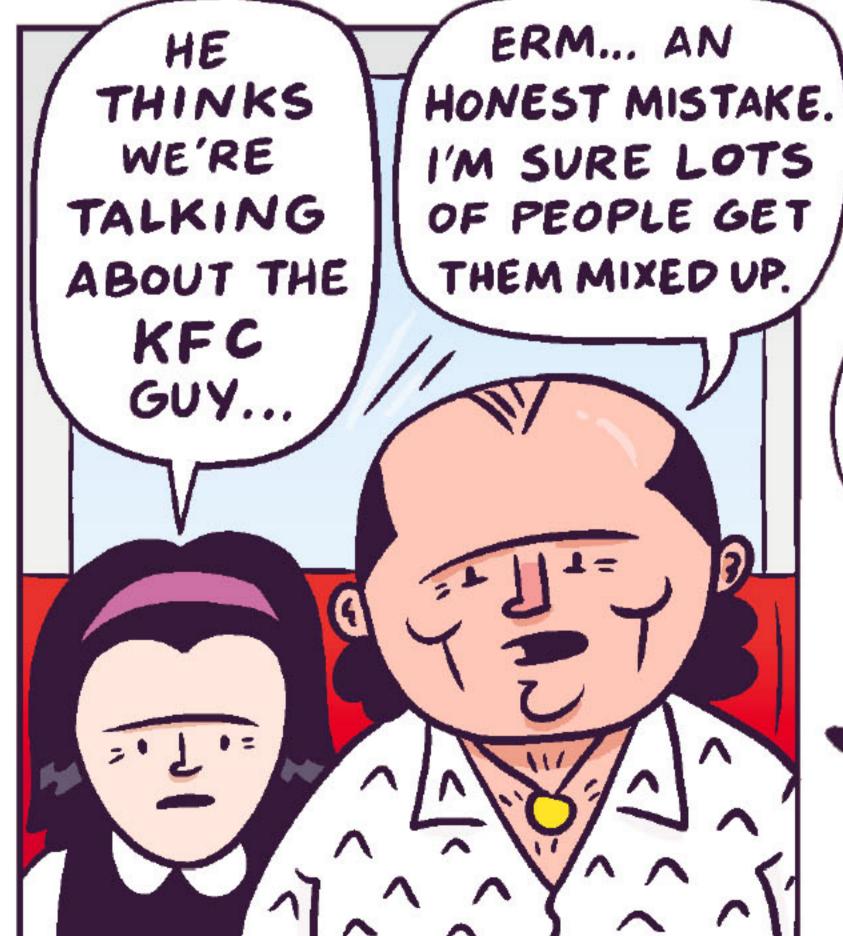


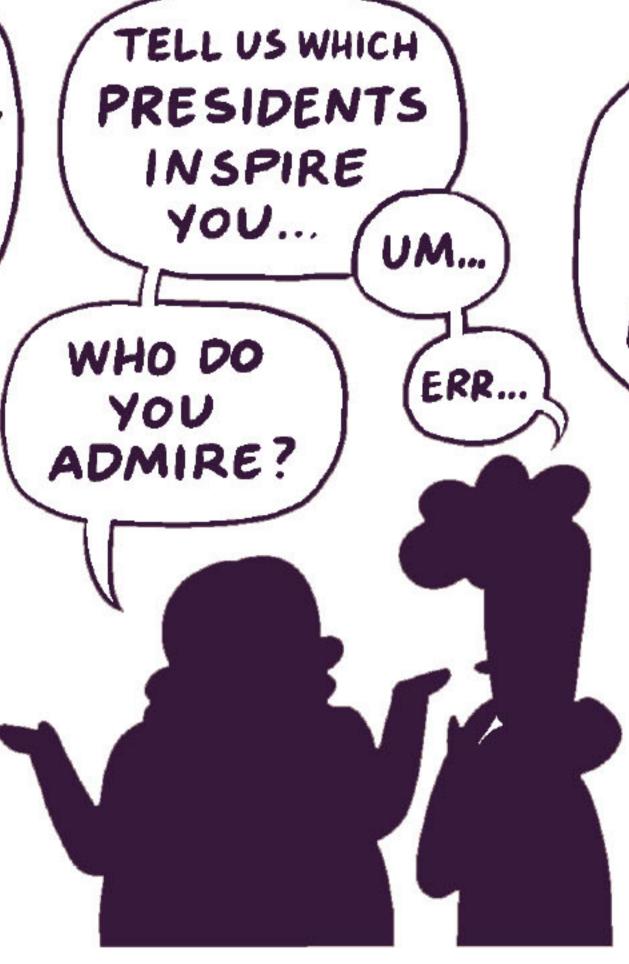


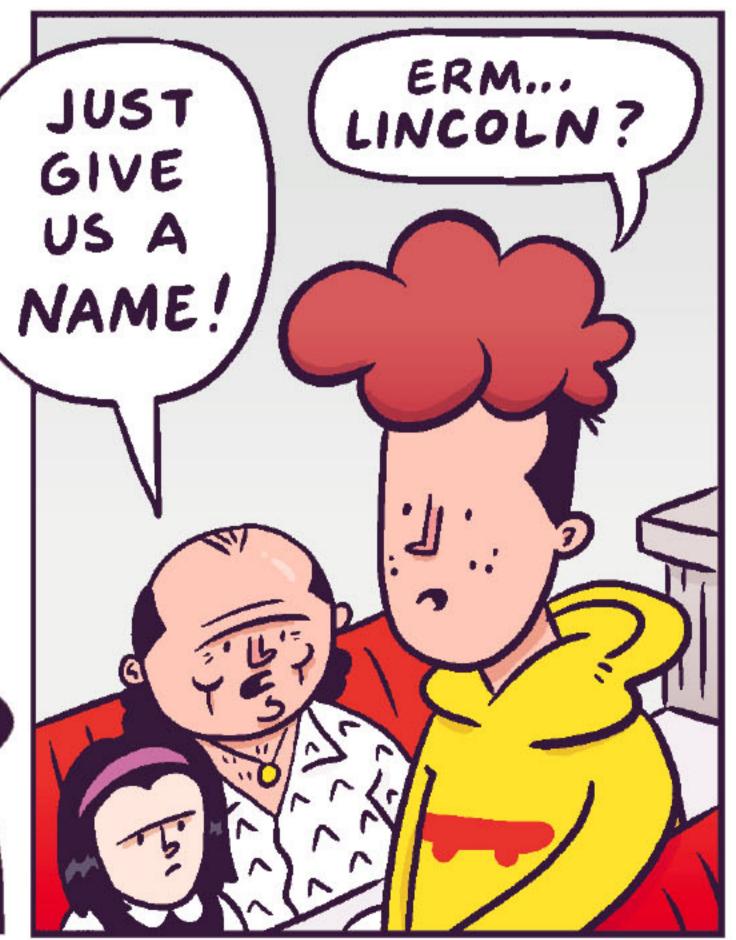
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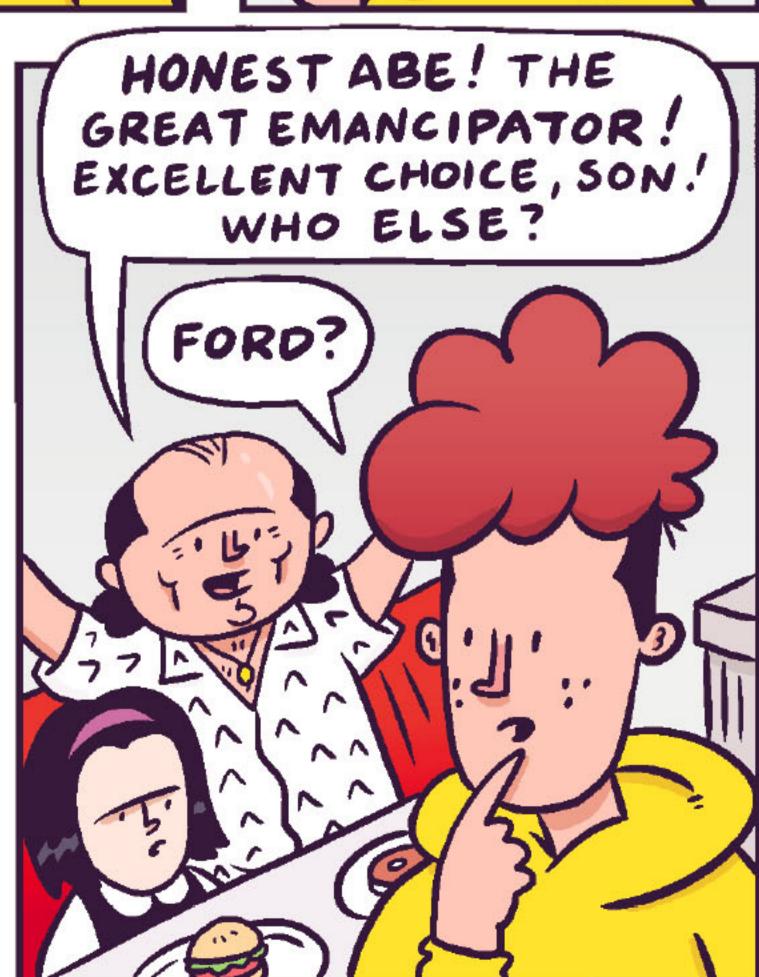
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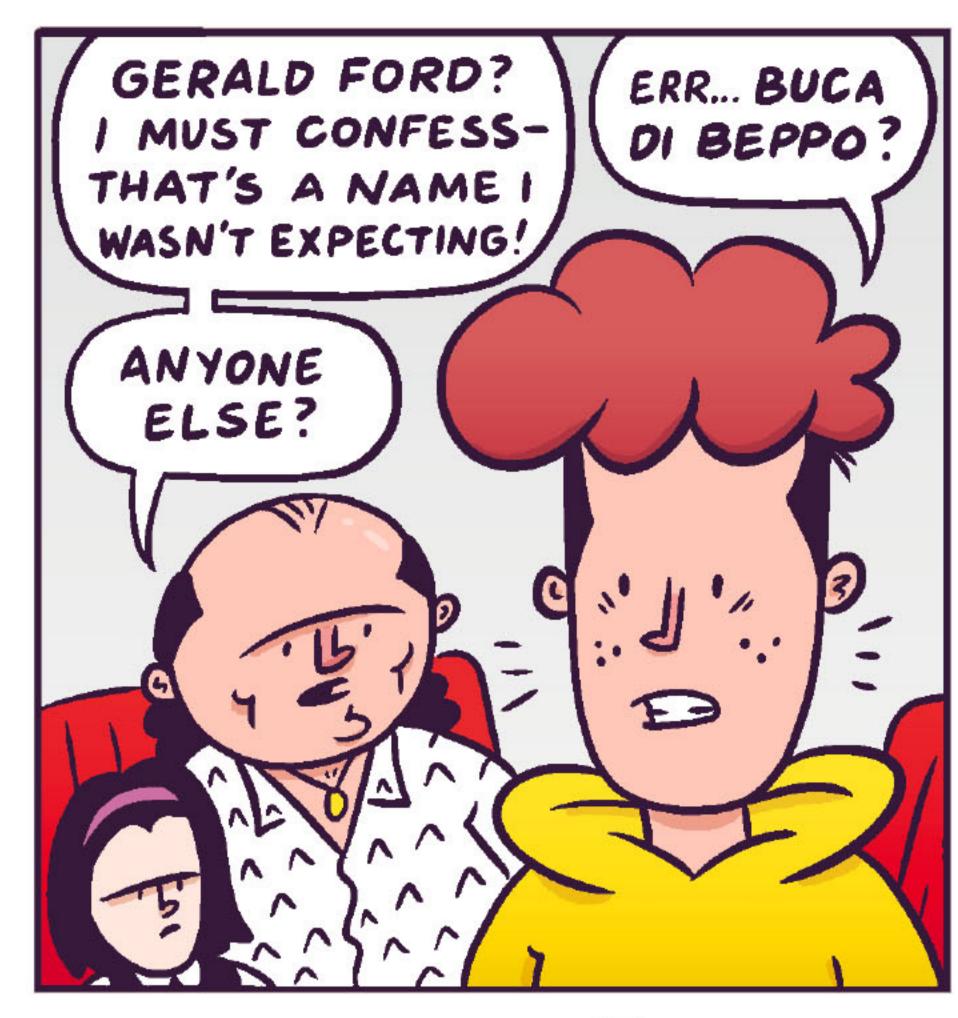


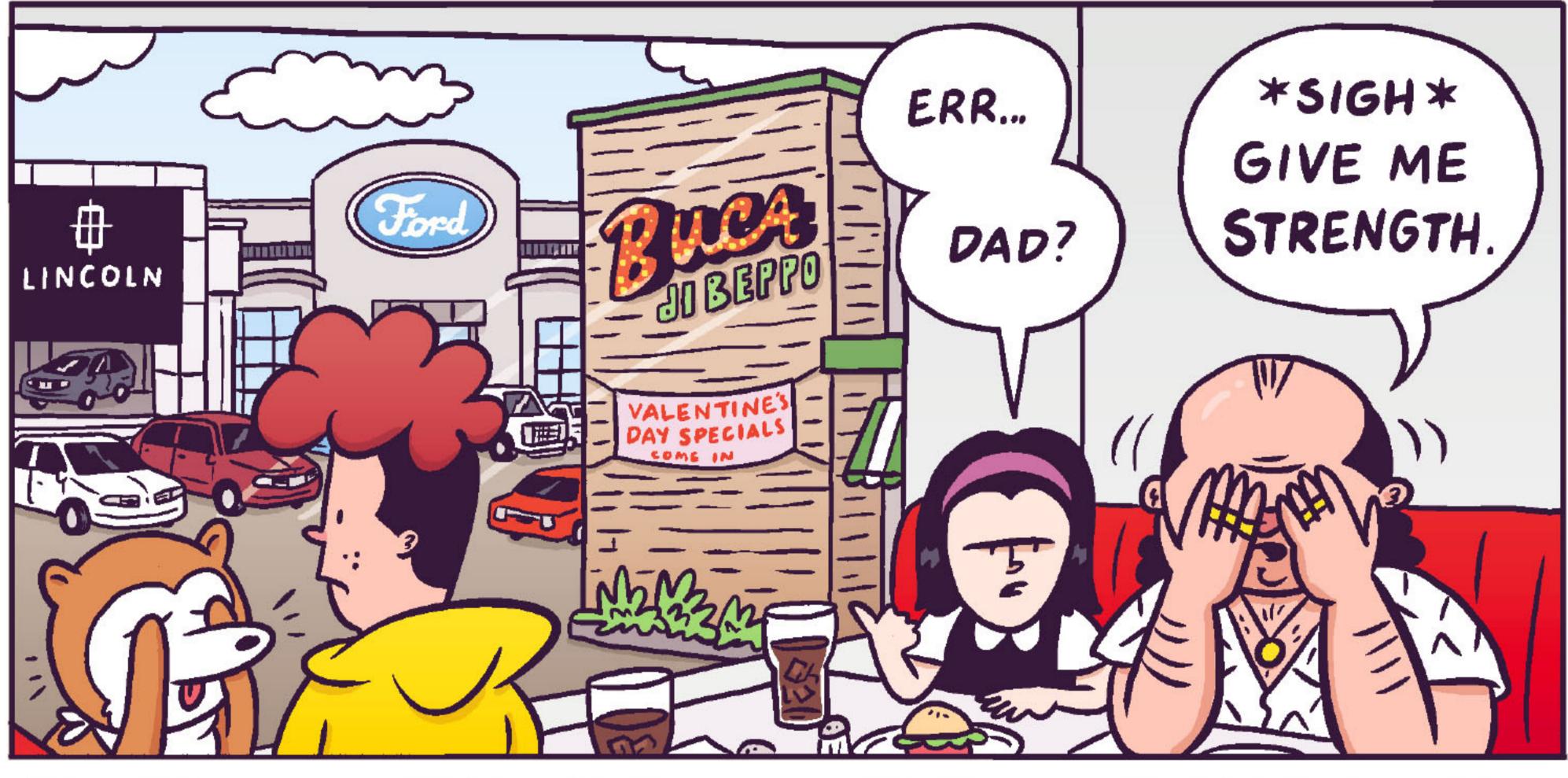




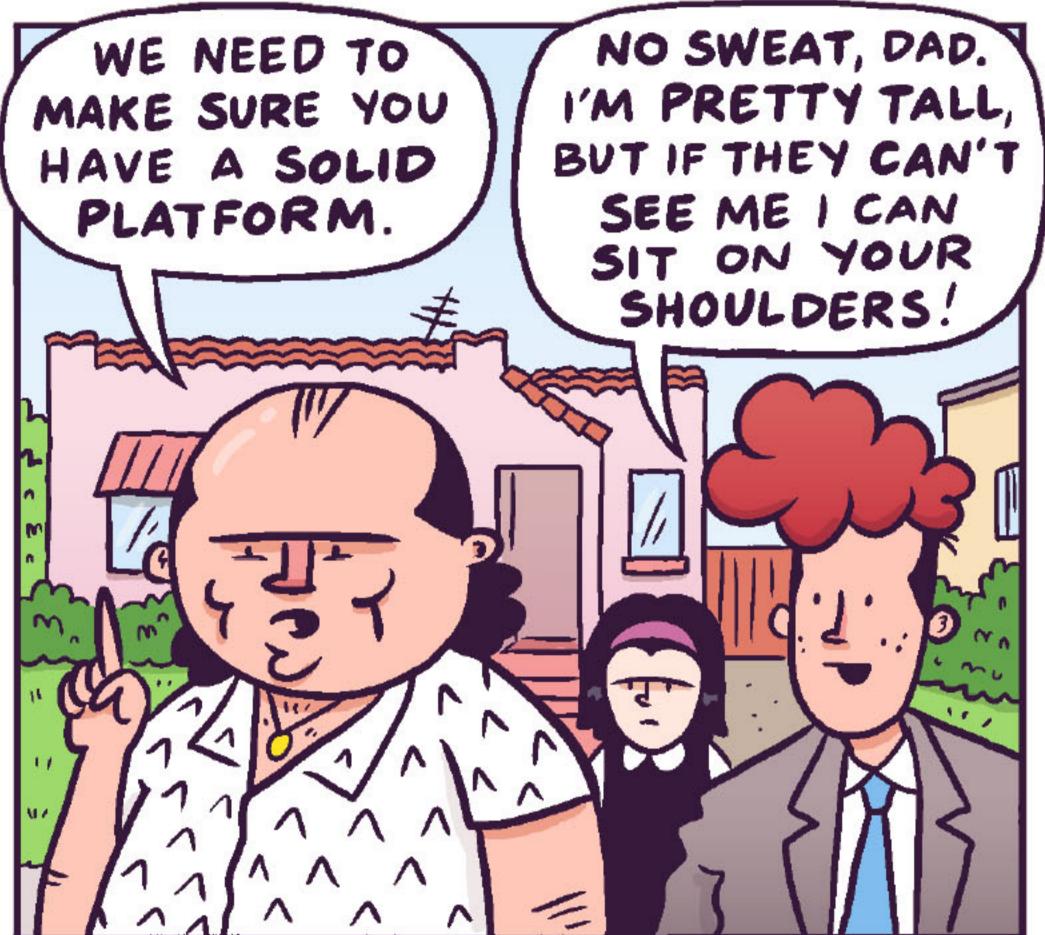
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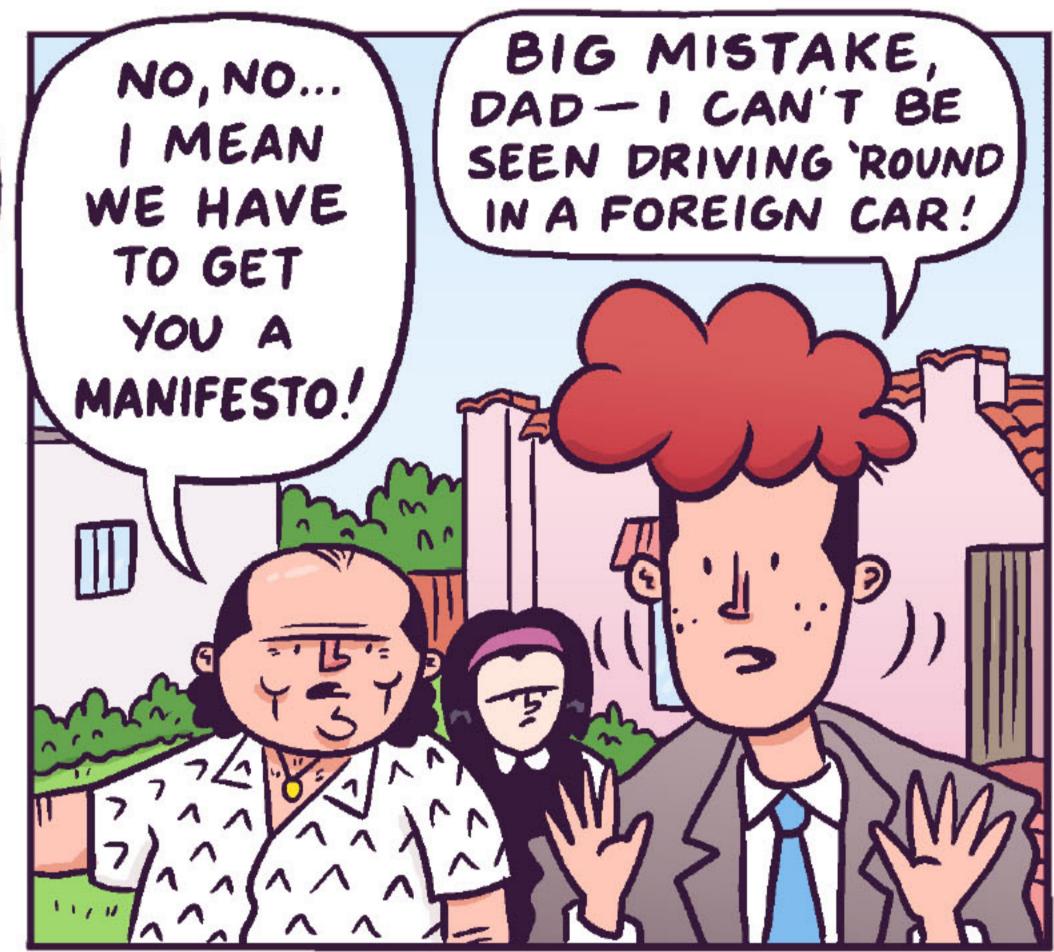


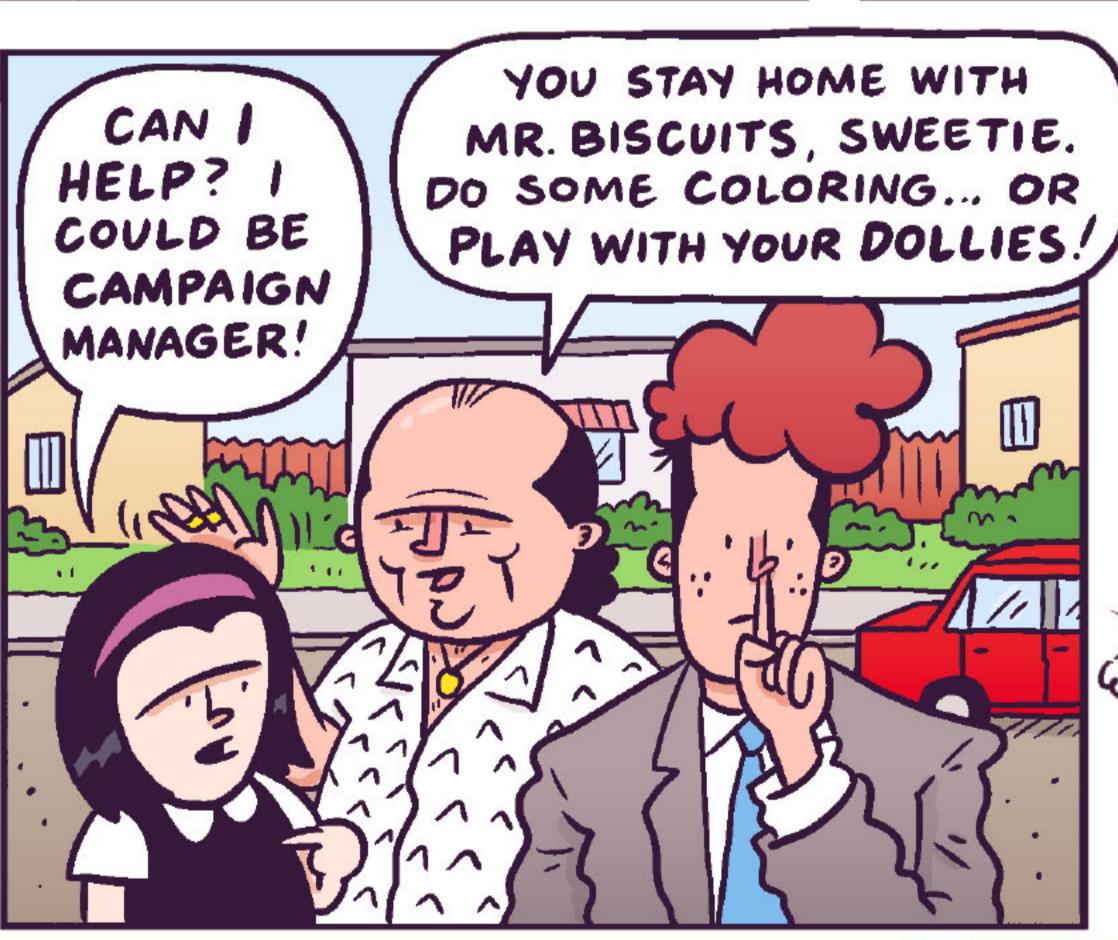






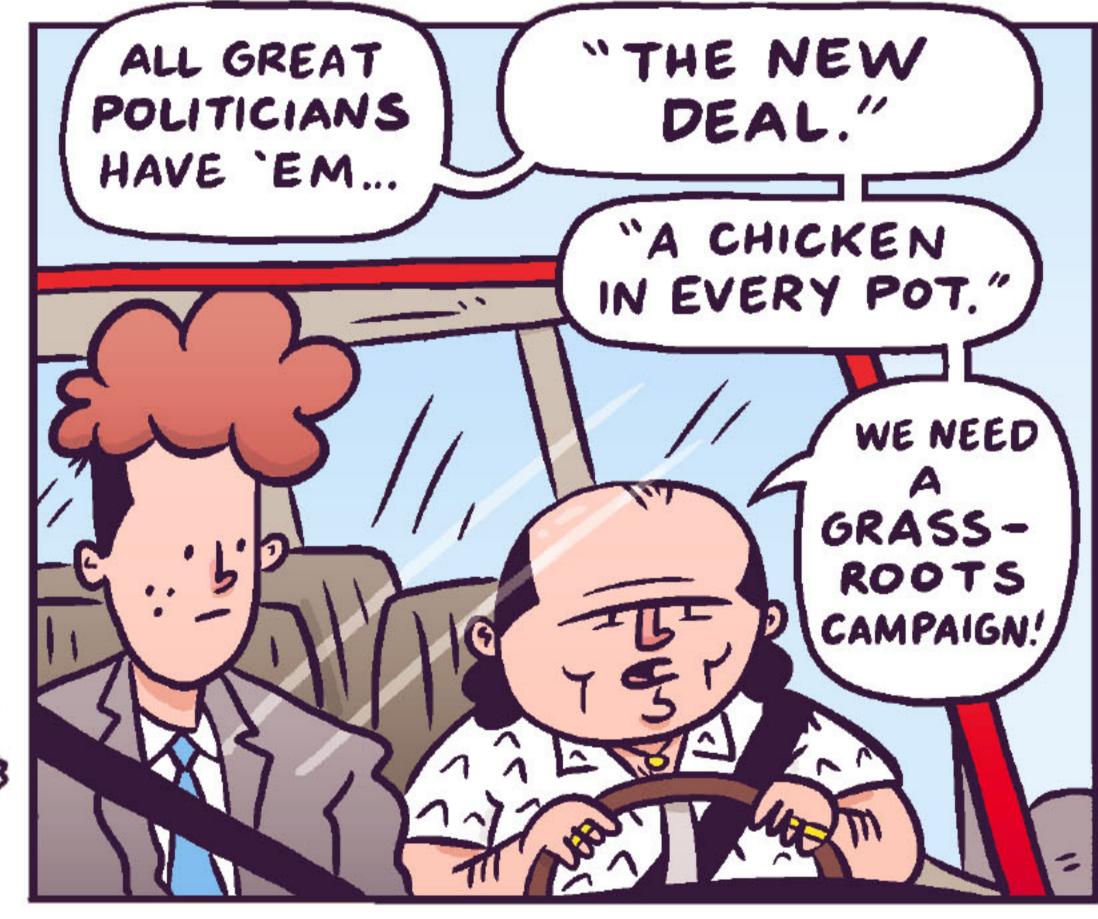


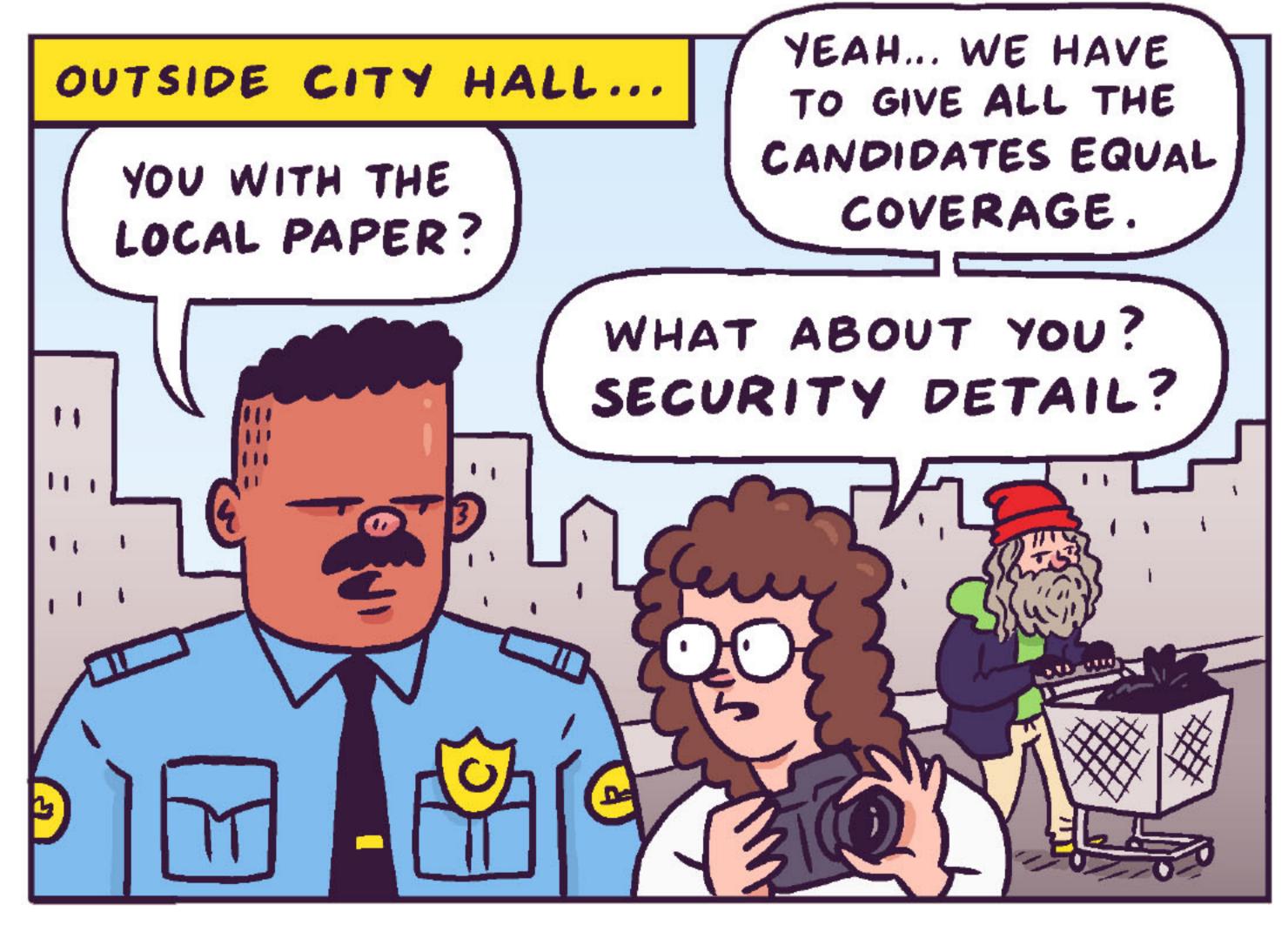




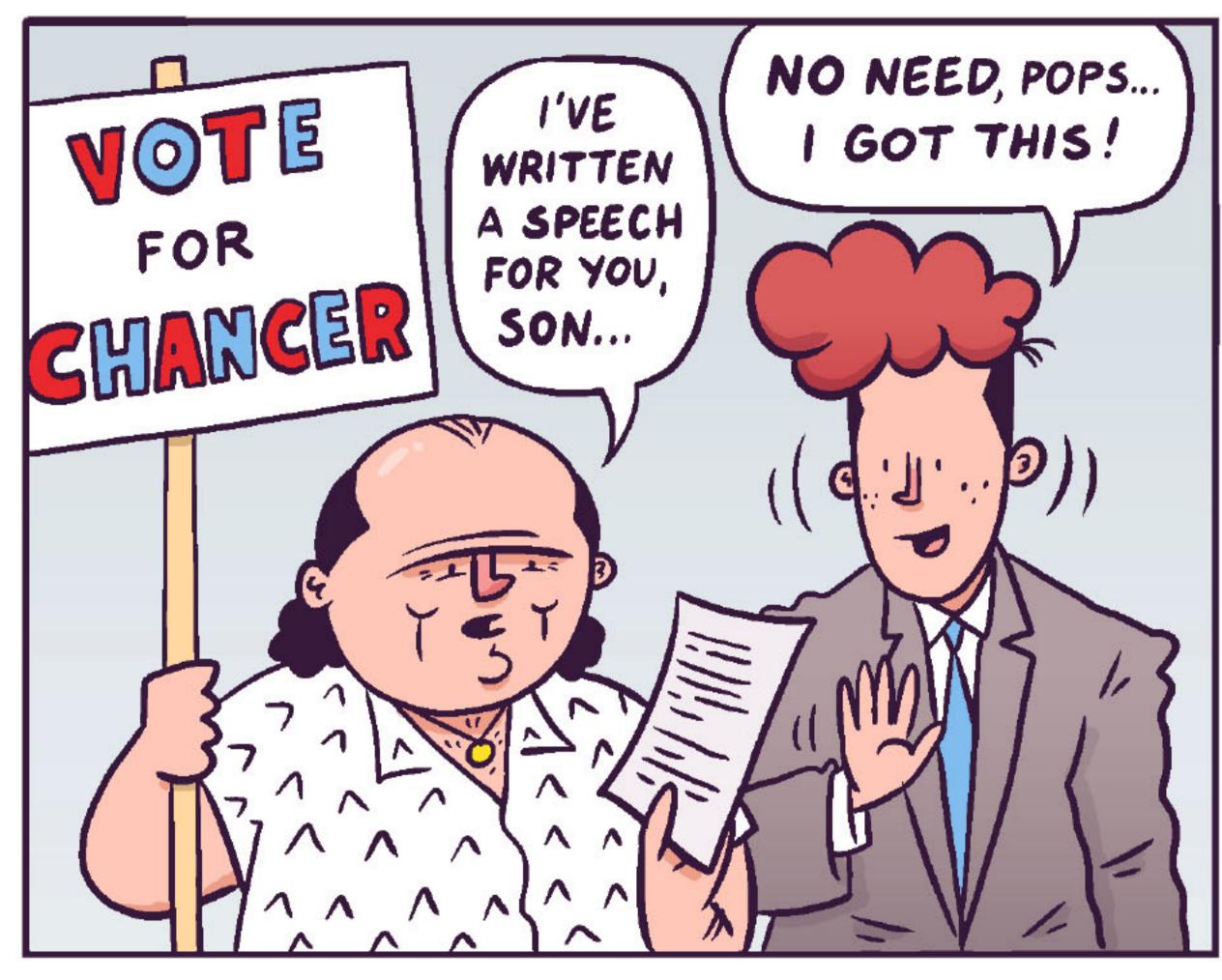
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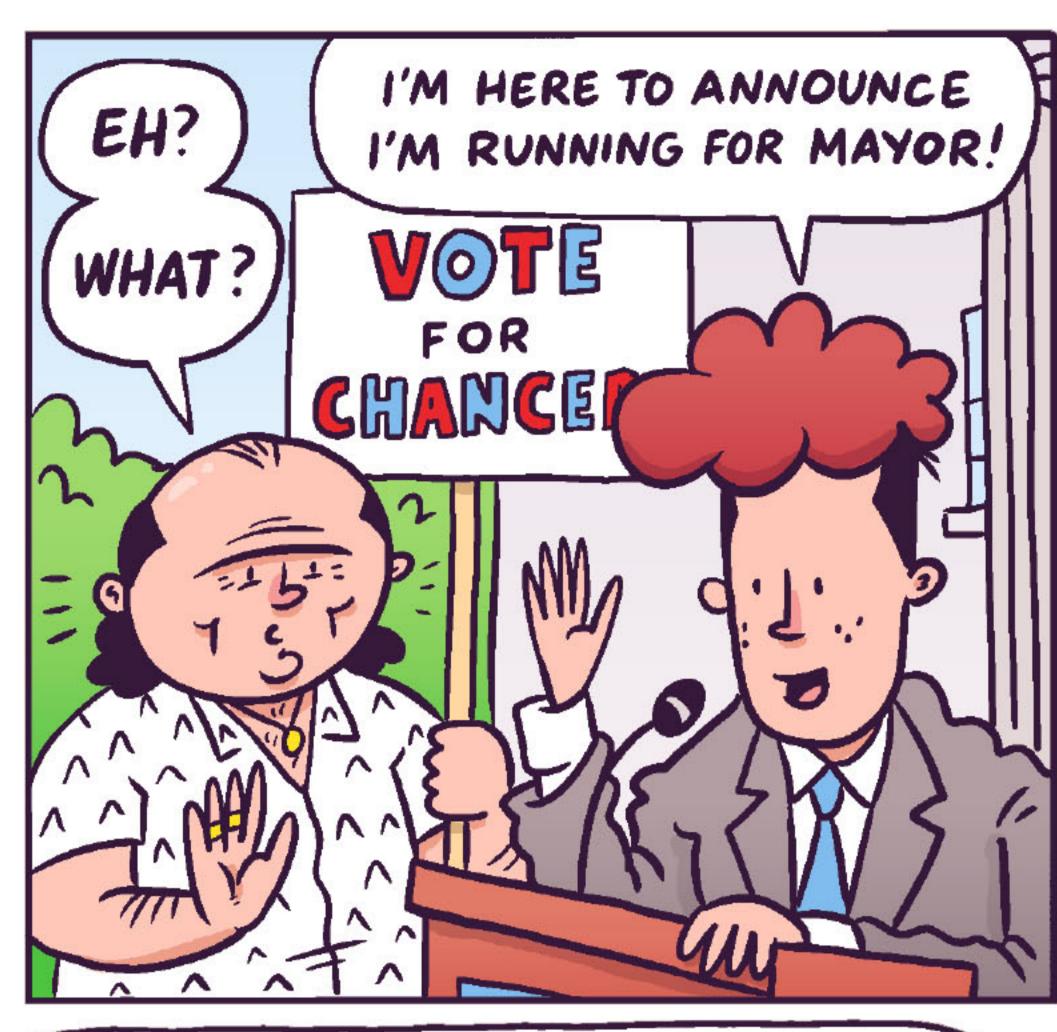






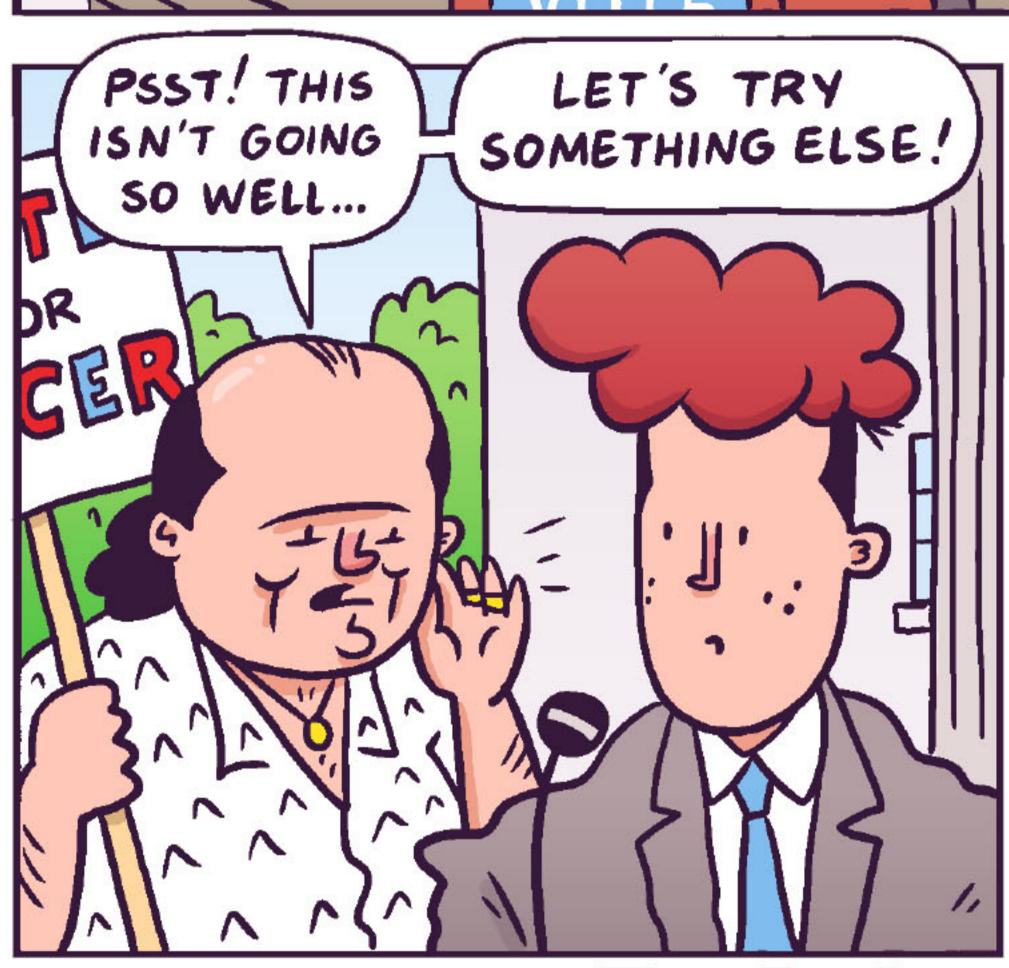










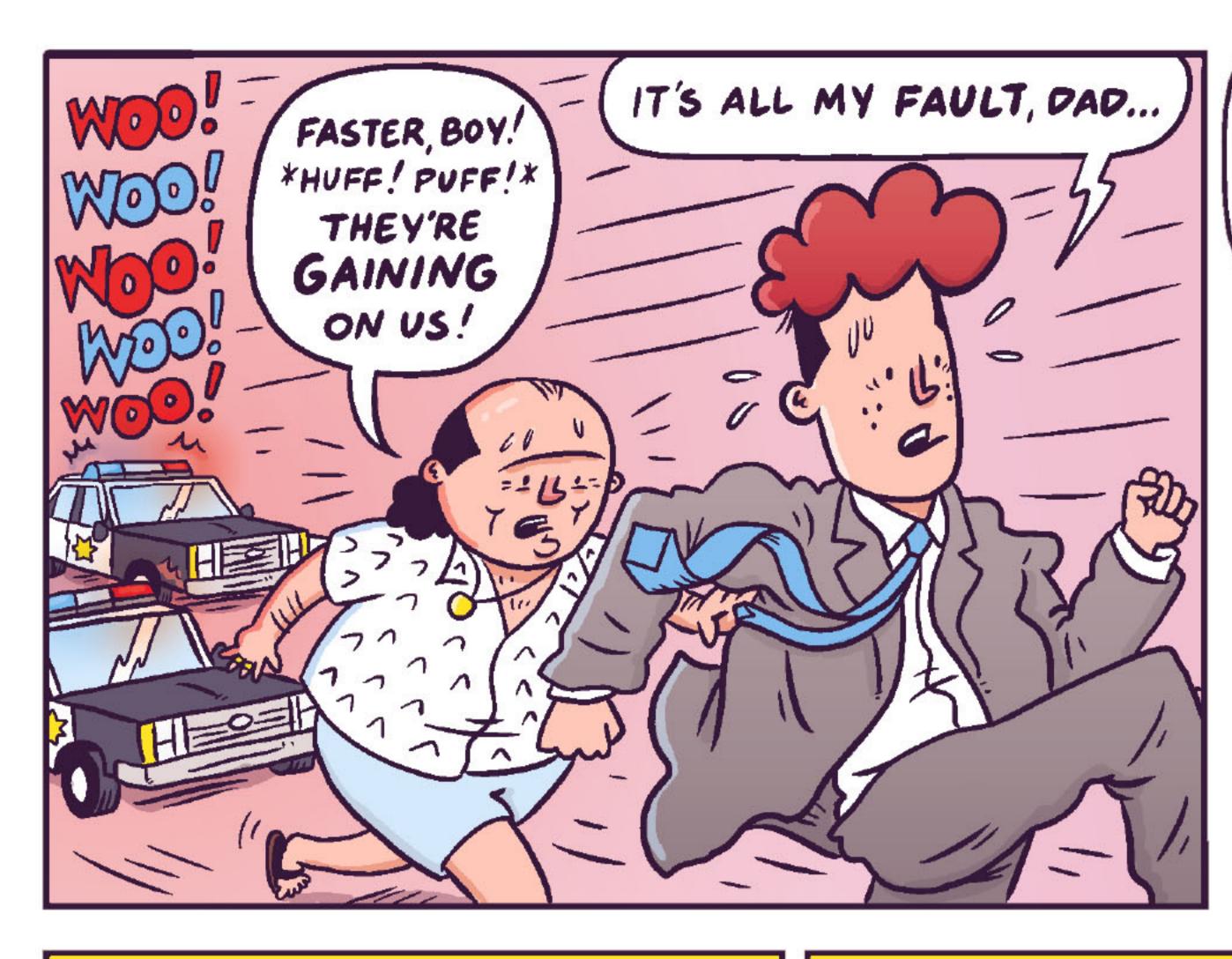




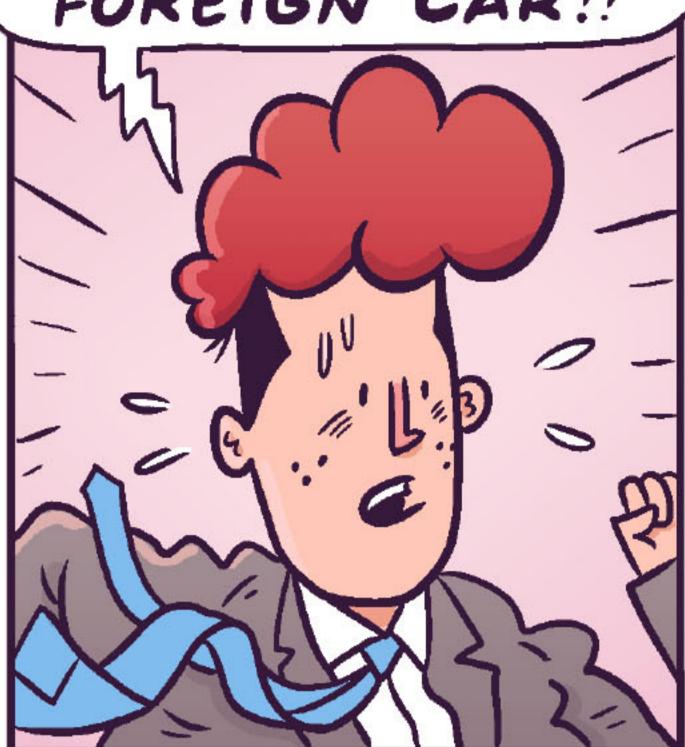












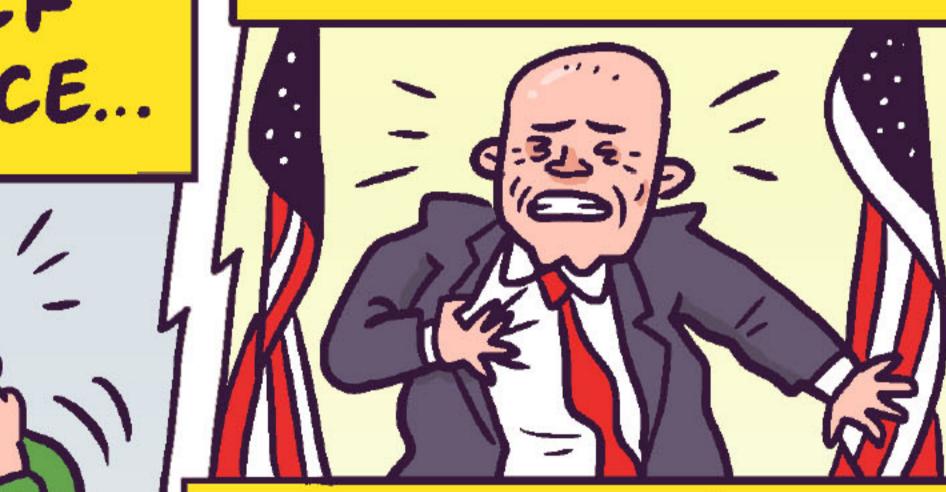


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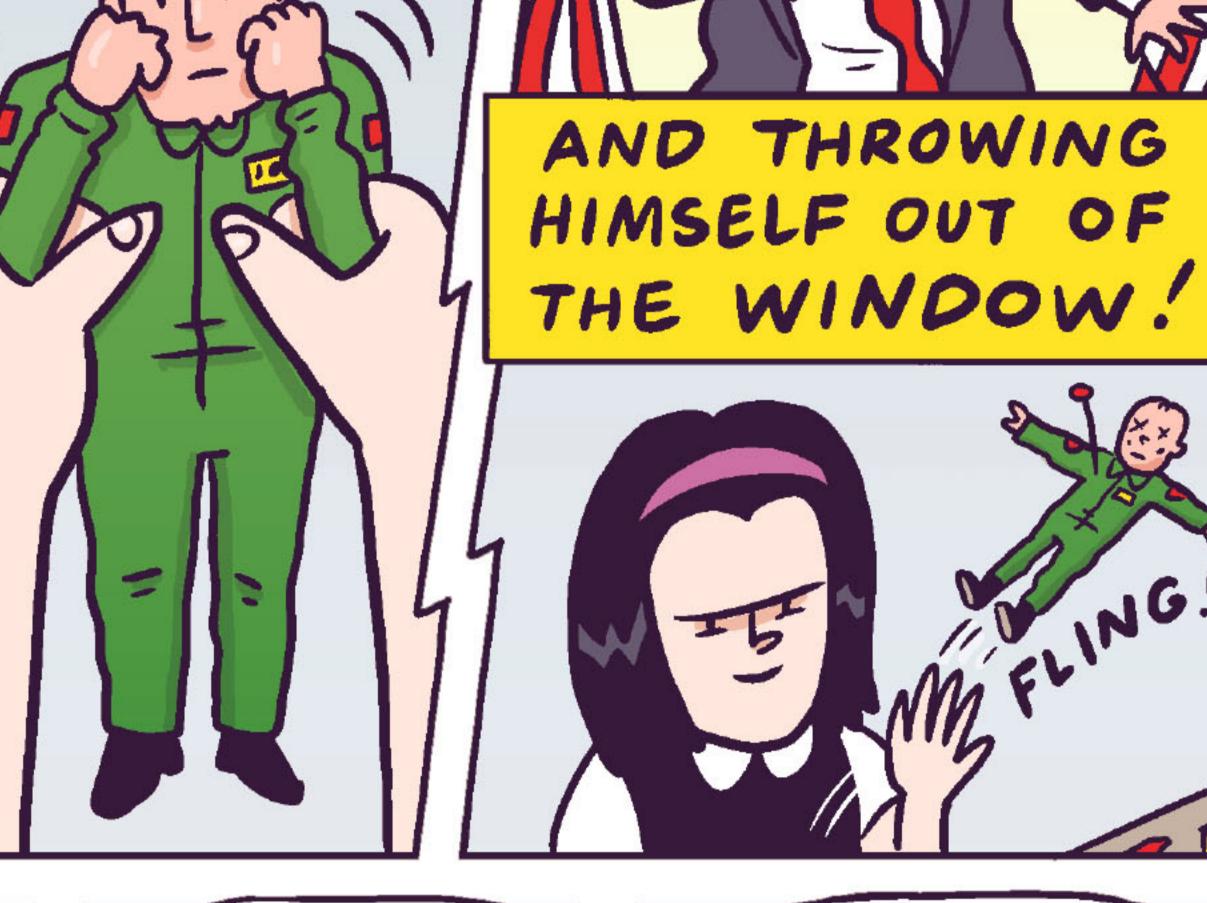


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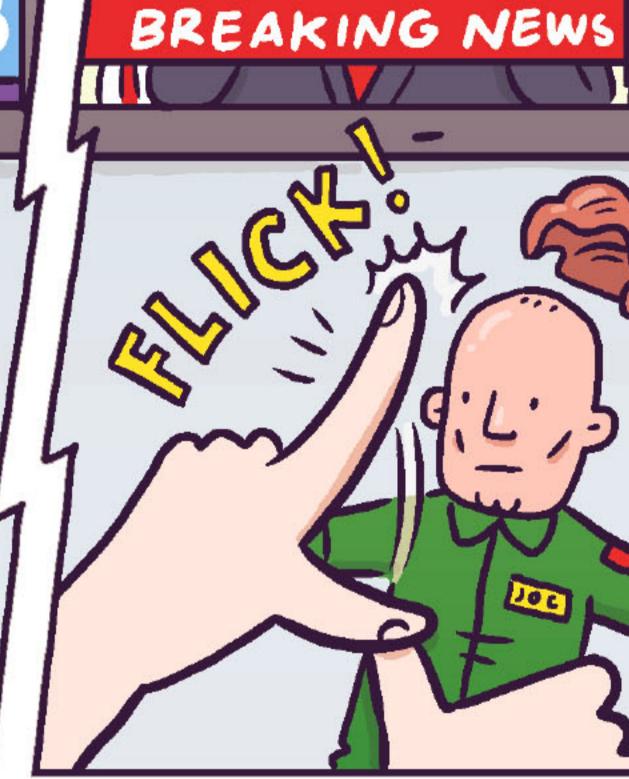
BEFORE SUFFERING AN APPARENT HEART ATTACK ...



AND THROWING HIMSELF OUT OF













HOW DO YOU VIEW THE ECONOMY, SIR?



BY HOW MUCH DO YOU THINK YOU CAN CUT THE DEFICIT?



... BEARING IN MIND THAT KEYNESIAN ECONOMIC THEORY HOLDS THAT OUTPUT IS STRONGLY INFLUENCED BY AGGREGATE DEMAND, OF COURSE!

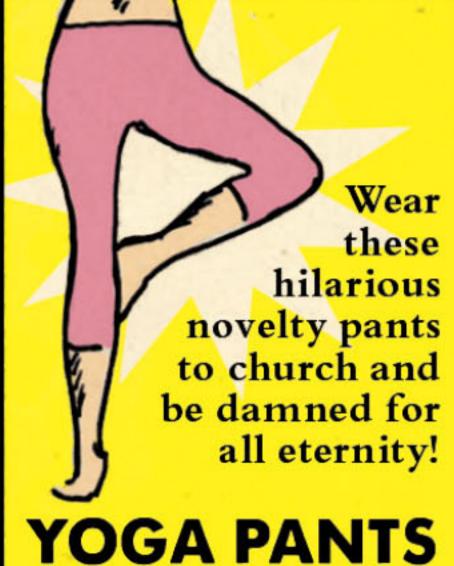




FLUFFY KITTENS



These adorable gateway pets can lead to a lifetime of compassion and before you know it, you're soft on crime!



be damned for all eternity!

It's like throwing a birthday party for Jesus and then not inviting Him!

Guaranteed to offend most major denominations. **ALSO AVAILABLE IN "Happy Holidays"**

Put the "X" in Xmas

this year with...

"SEASON'S



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Mortifying fashion accessory guaranteed to make those conservative Blue Dogs look like hippie socialists!



Order now and get this FREE pile of genuine DOG POO! Not fake poo - it's the **real** thing!





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100% effective! "Free" coverage for everyone... even your deadbeat brother-in-law. (Sorry, not available in U.S.)

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Press 1 for English... subtitles, that is!

Watch as these actors "talk" and their gibberish is instantly translated into human words on the screen!

WOULD YOU LIKE FREEDOM FRIES WITH THAT?



LOOK OUT, KIDS--IT'S THE

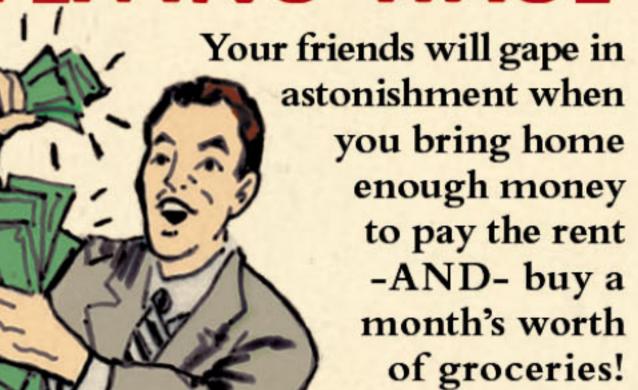
THE SLIPPERY SLOPE TOWARD A KINDER, GENTLER AMERICA!

TACO **TUESDAYS**



Tacos so ding dang delicious they ought to be illegal!

A LIVING WAGE



LADY "COMEDIANS"

Make any show a success with one of these "funny" females. They tell "jokes" and make "amusing" observations so convincingly similar to real comedians, your viewers will be amazed!

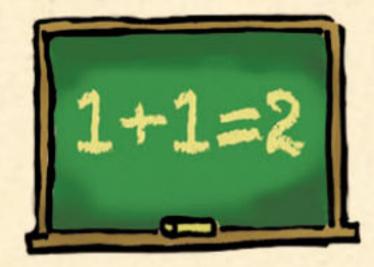
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FACTS



Train at HOME in your SPARE TIME to create sentences and even entire paragraphs completely devoid of false statements.

GREAT AT PARTIES!

(And by that we mean from other people's religion!)

This step-by-step guide explains how being denied the ability to discriminate against others is not necessarily discrimination against you!

I AM SO

ANGRY

MADE

CAGE-FREE



DISCLAIMER:

ARE YOU A BORED HOUSEWIFE?

Earn BIG BUCKS as a PAID PROTESTER!

CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE

The Left will pay YOU to demonstrate

against petty grievances such as social

injustice, gun violence & global warming.

VIOLATORS WILL BE TOWED AT GEORGE SOROS' EXPENSE.

"Cage-free" does not mean that the children have access to the outdoors, only that they may be permitted to roam the warehouse.

BOYS! GIRLS! Welcome to

the ultimate FREELOADERS' PARADISE! Read all the books you

want - all on the taxpayers' dime!





HA HA! Seriously, who are we kidding? Howl with laughter over the funniest

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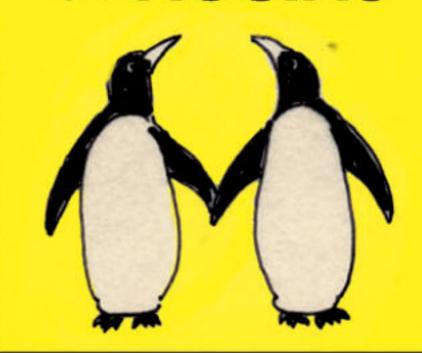
UNCOMMON COURTESY

This handy self-improvement course is now available in the privacy of your own home! Results may vary. Use only as directed. If rudeness persists, avoid all human contact.





GAY **PENGUINS**



Here's a real crowd pleaser at sporting events!

KNEELING

Learn how YOU can make even the most innocuous gesture controversial! So easy -- anyone with patellofemoral articulation can join in on the fun!

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SCIENCE

YIKES!

Folks will skedaddle when you start to blather about this stupid mumbo jumbo!



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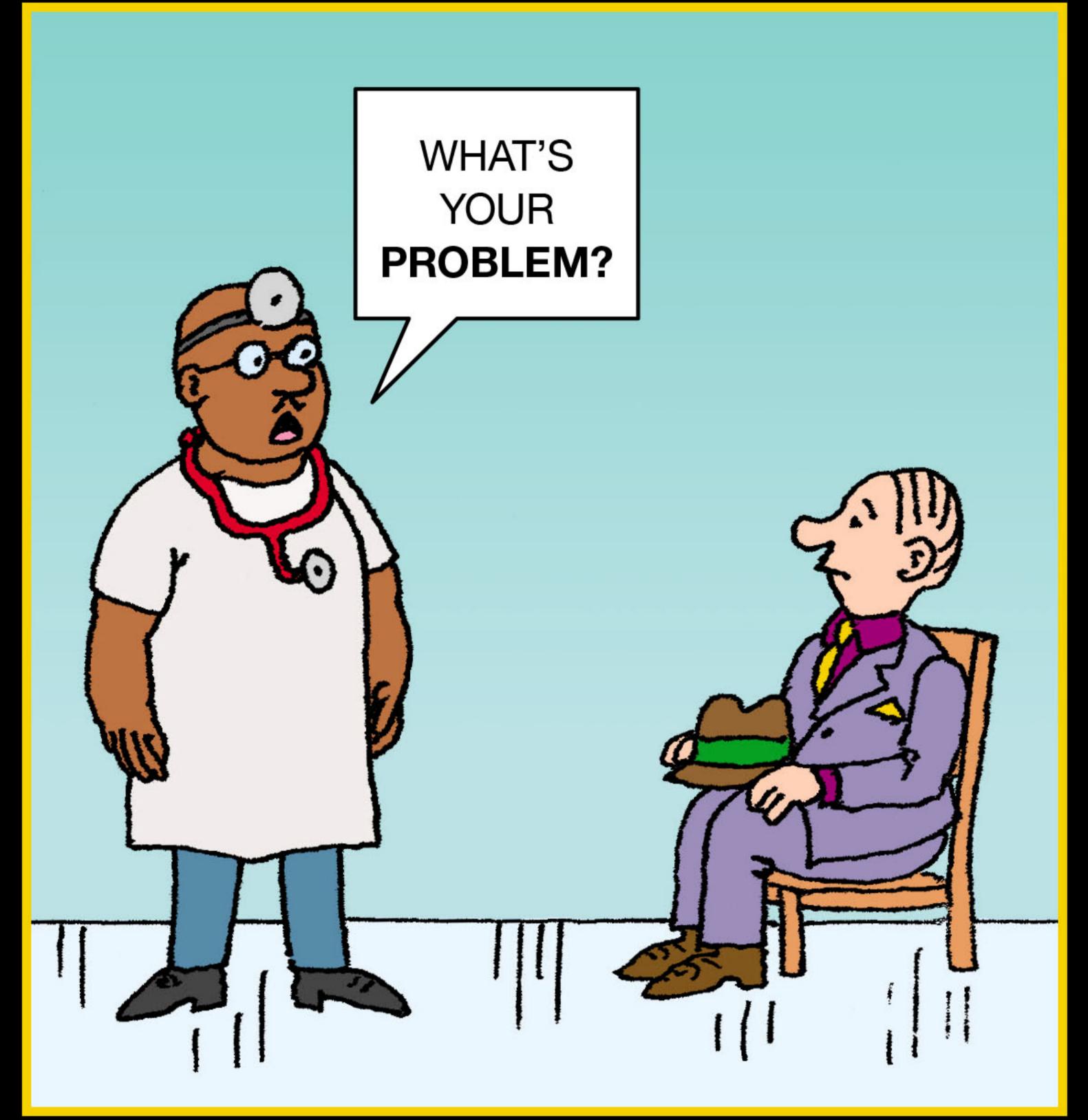
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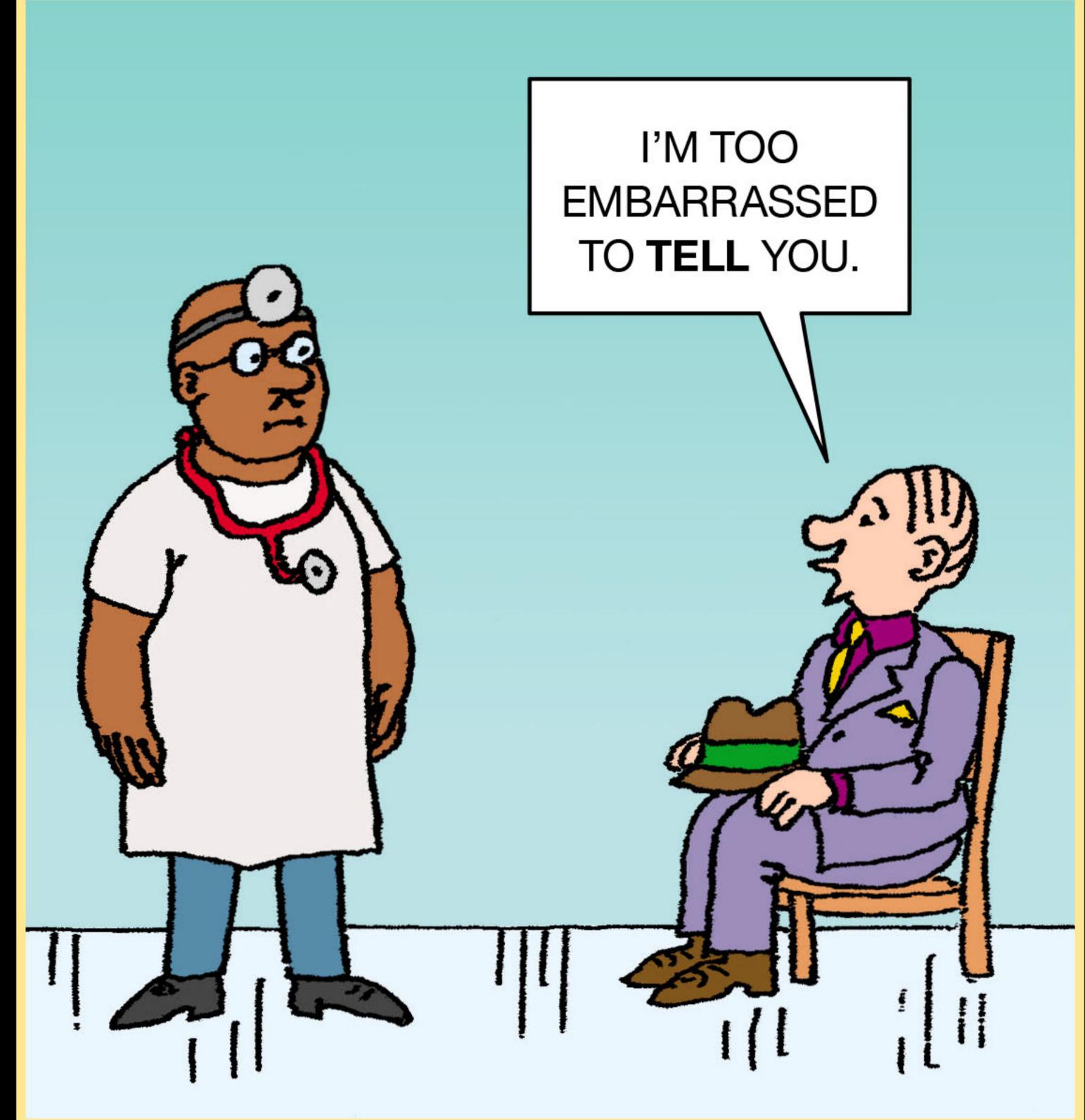
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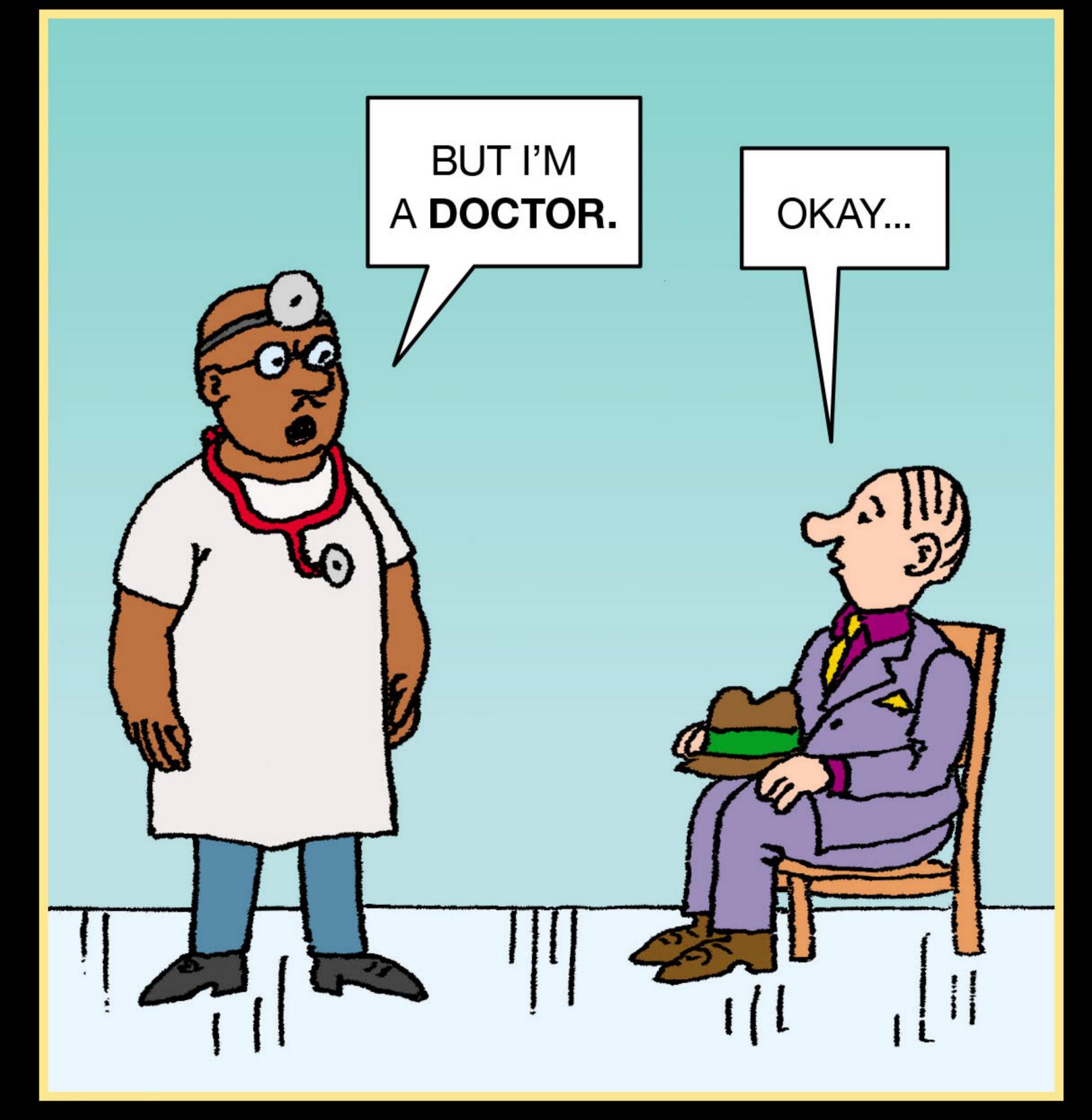
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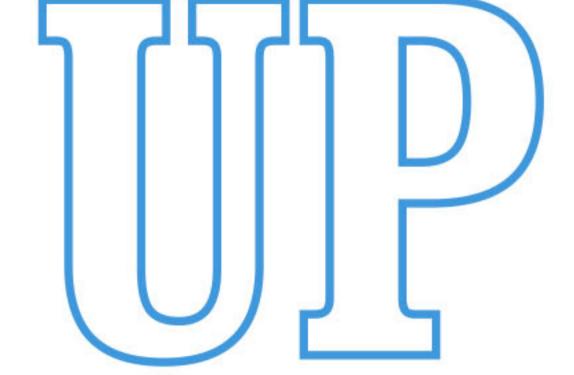








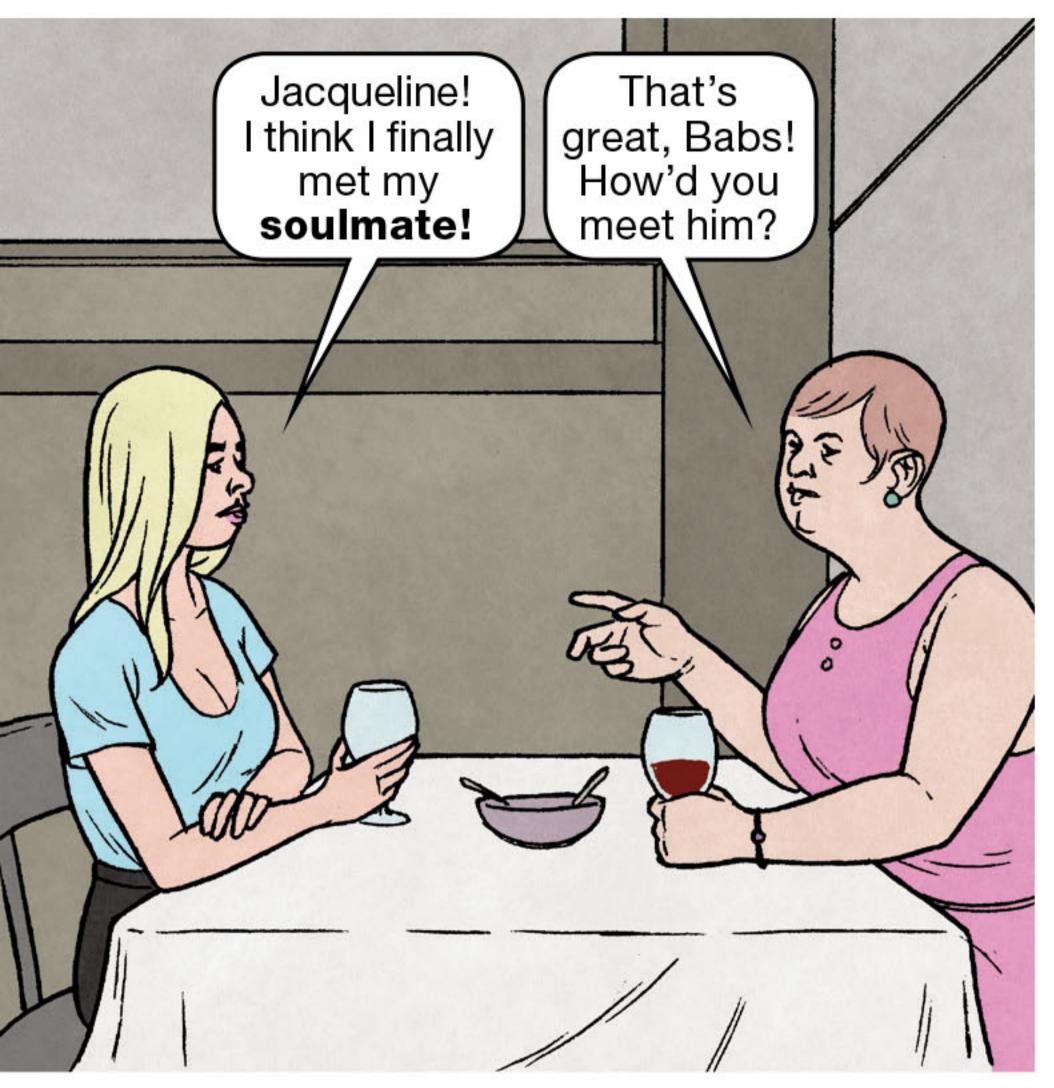
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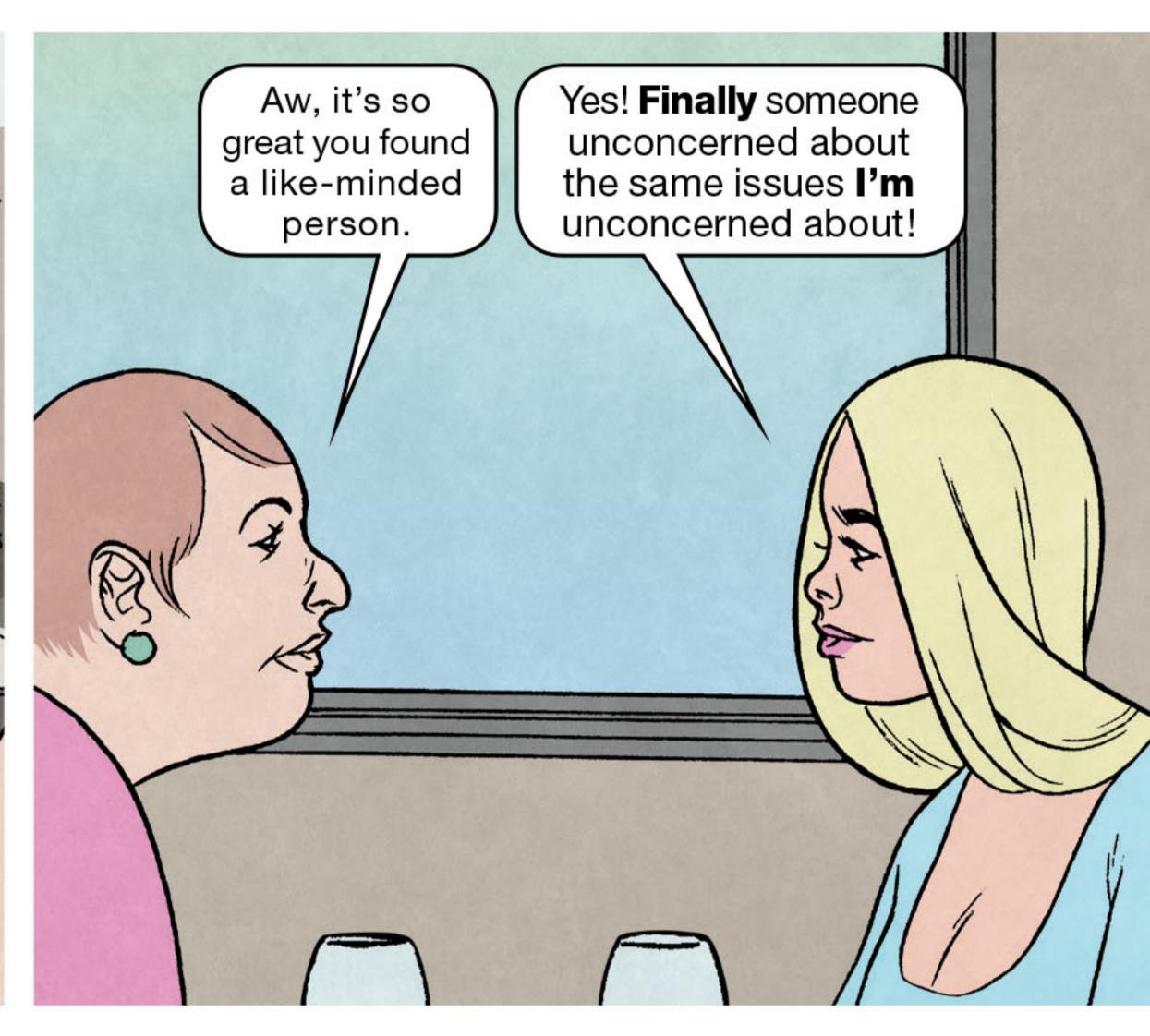
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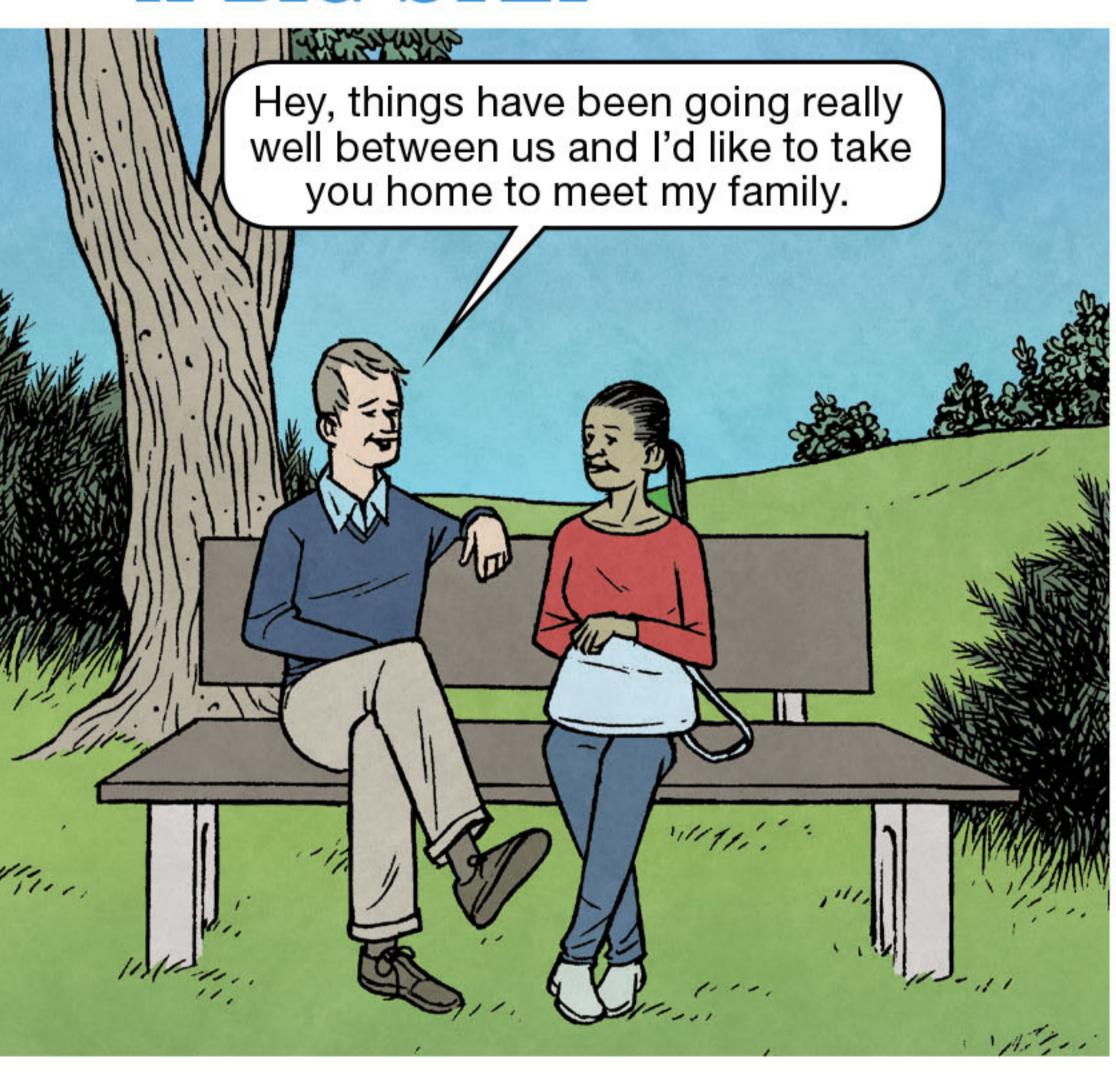
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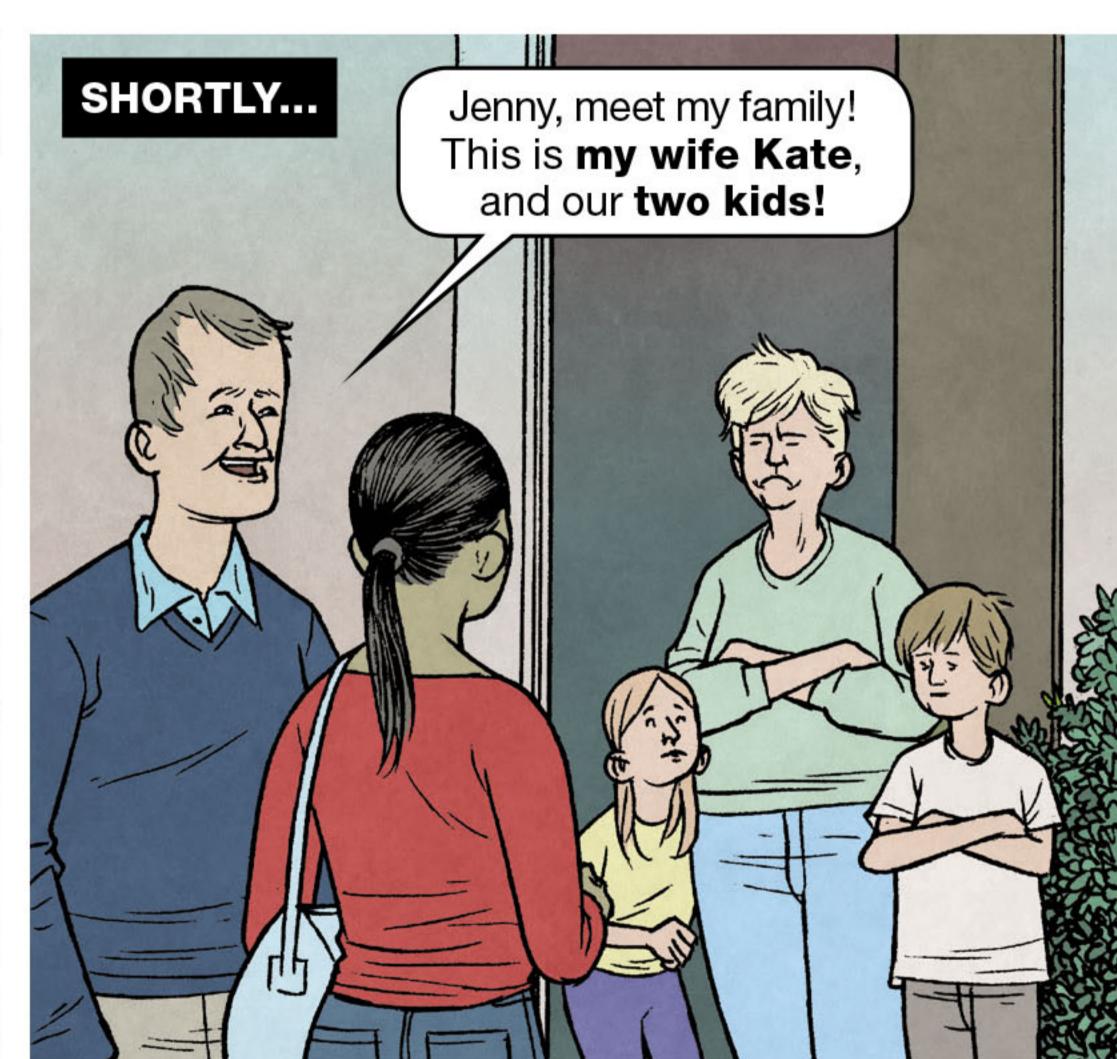




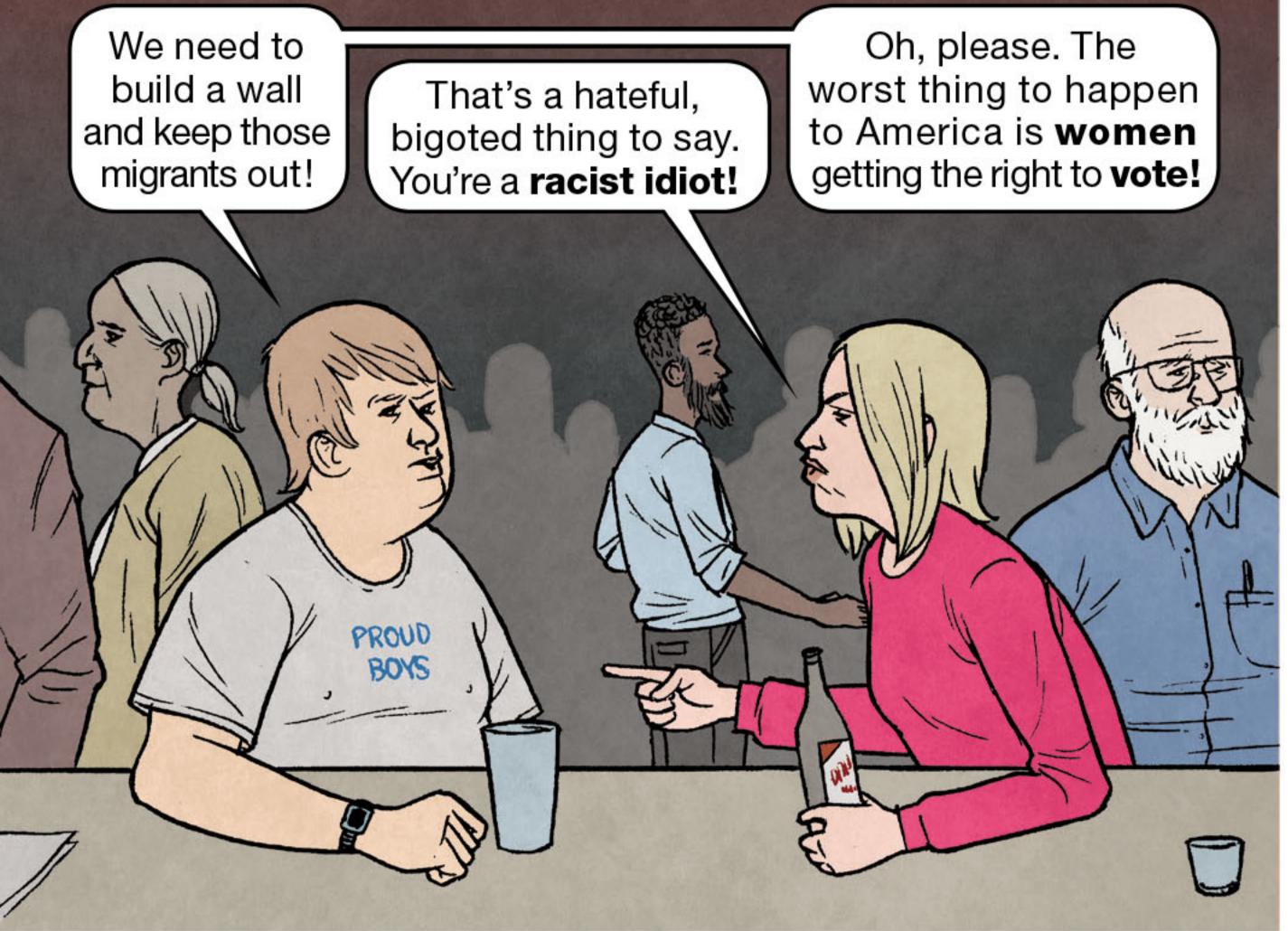
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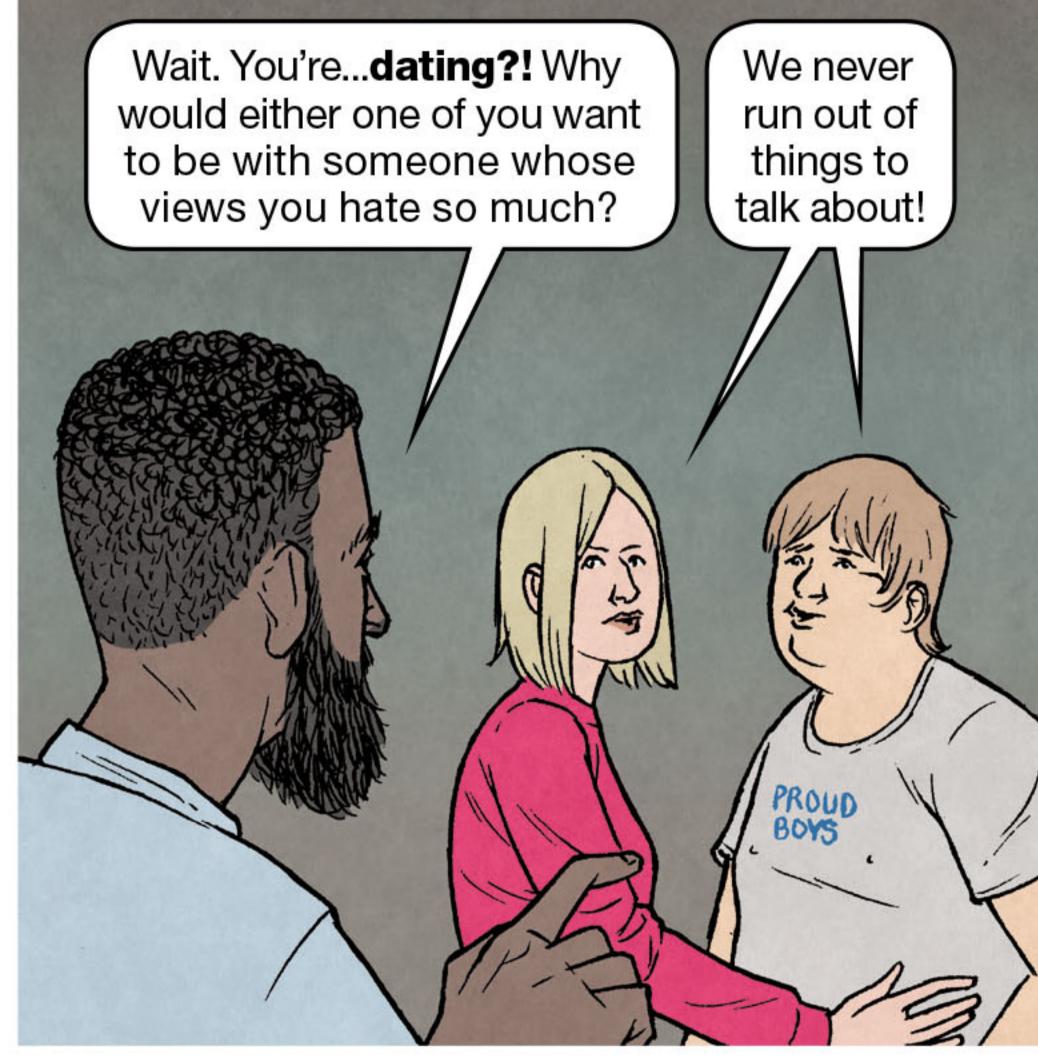




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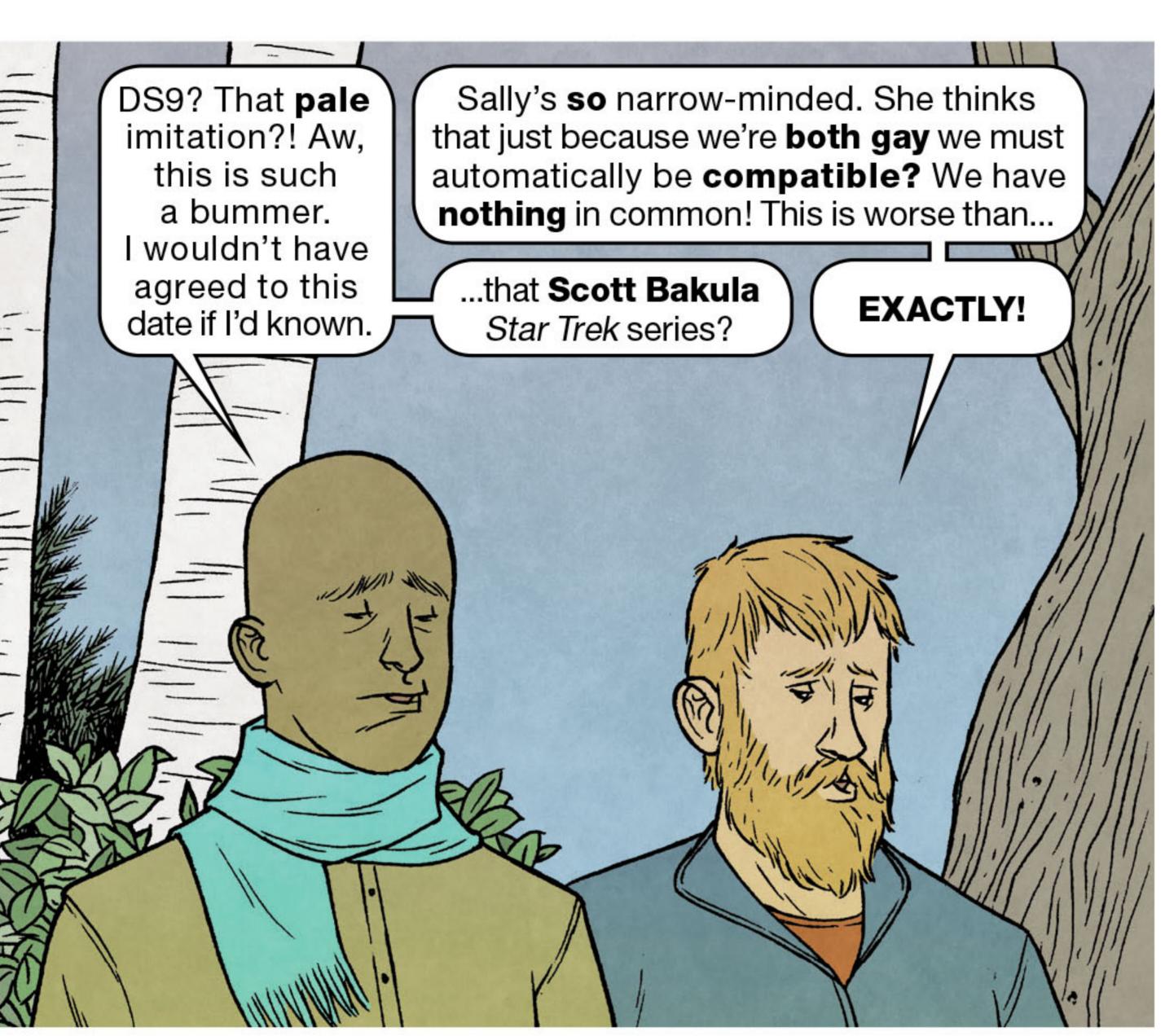




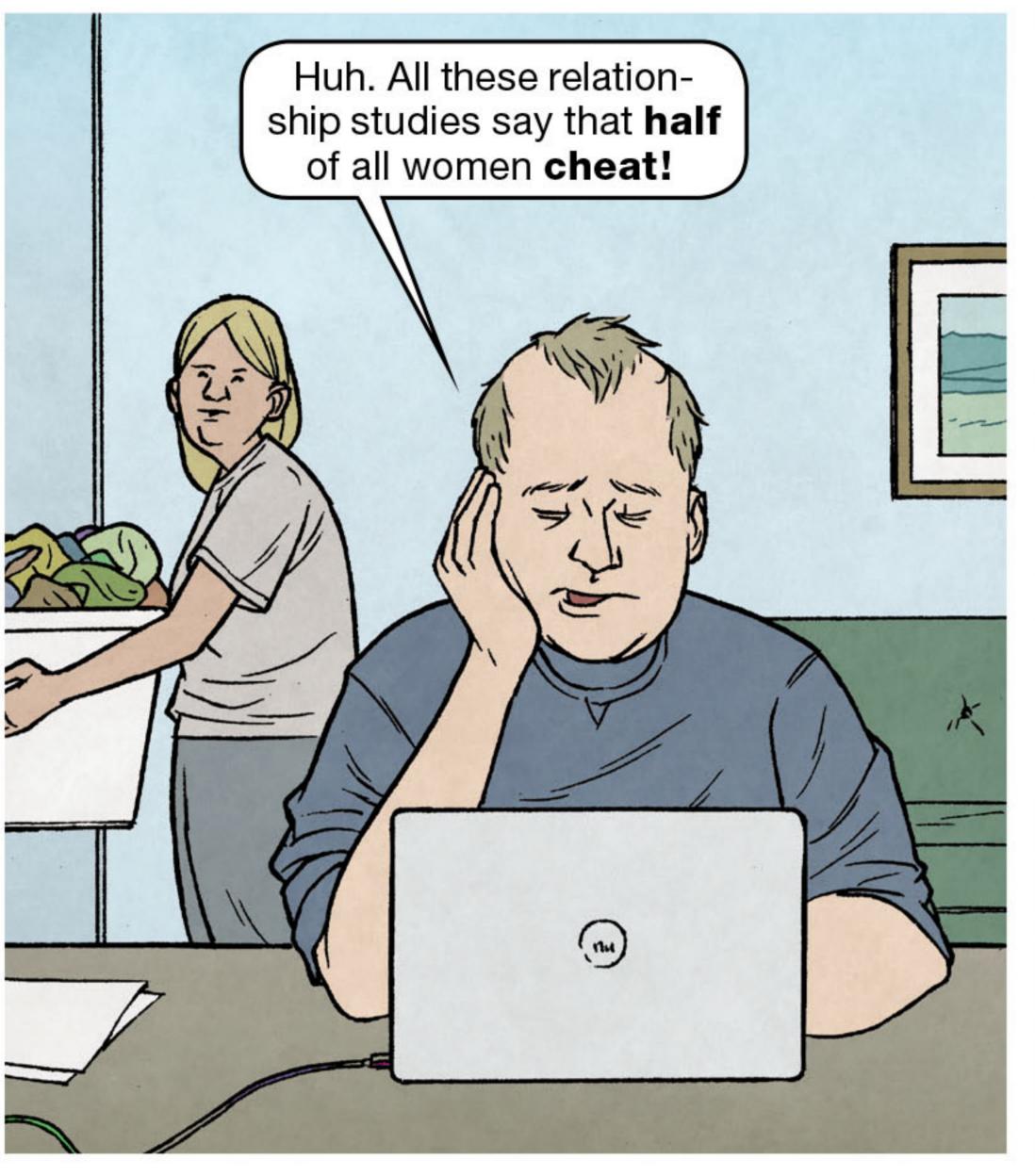
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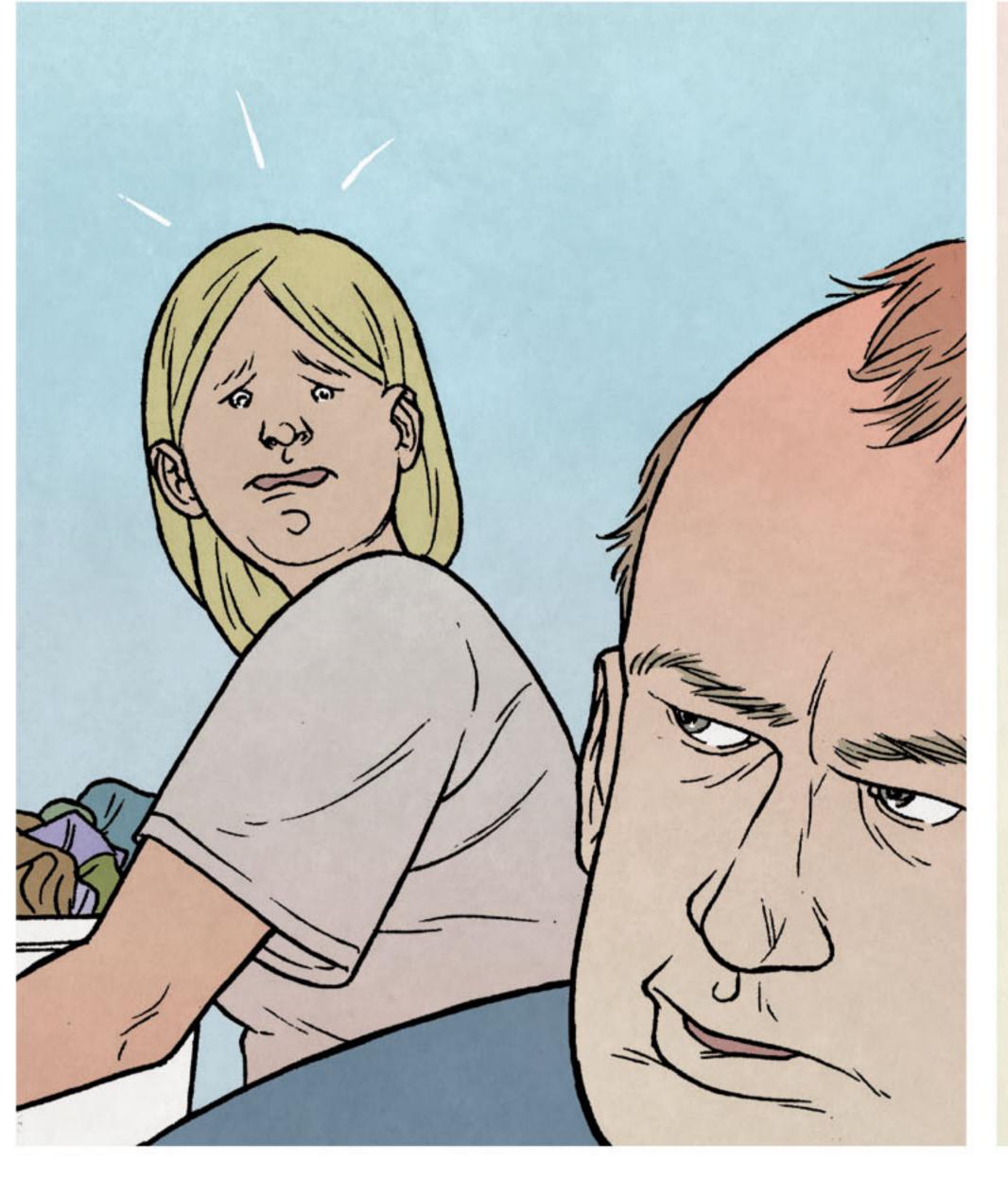






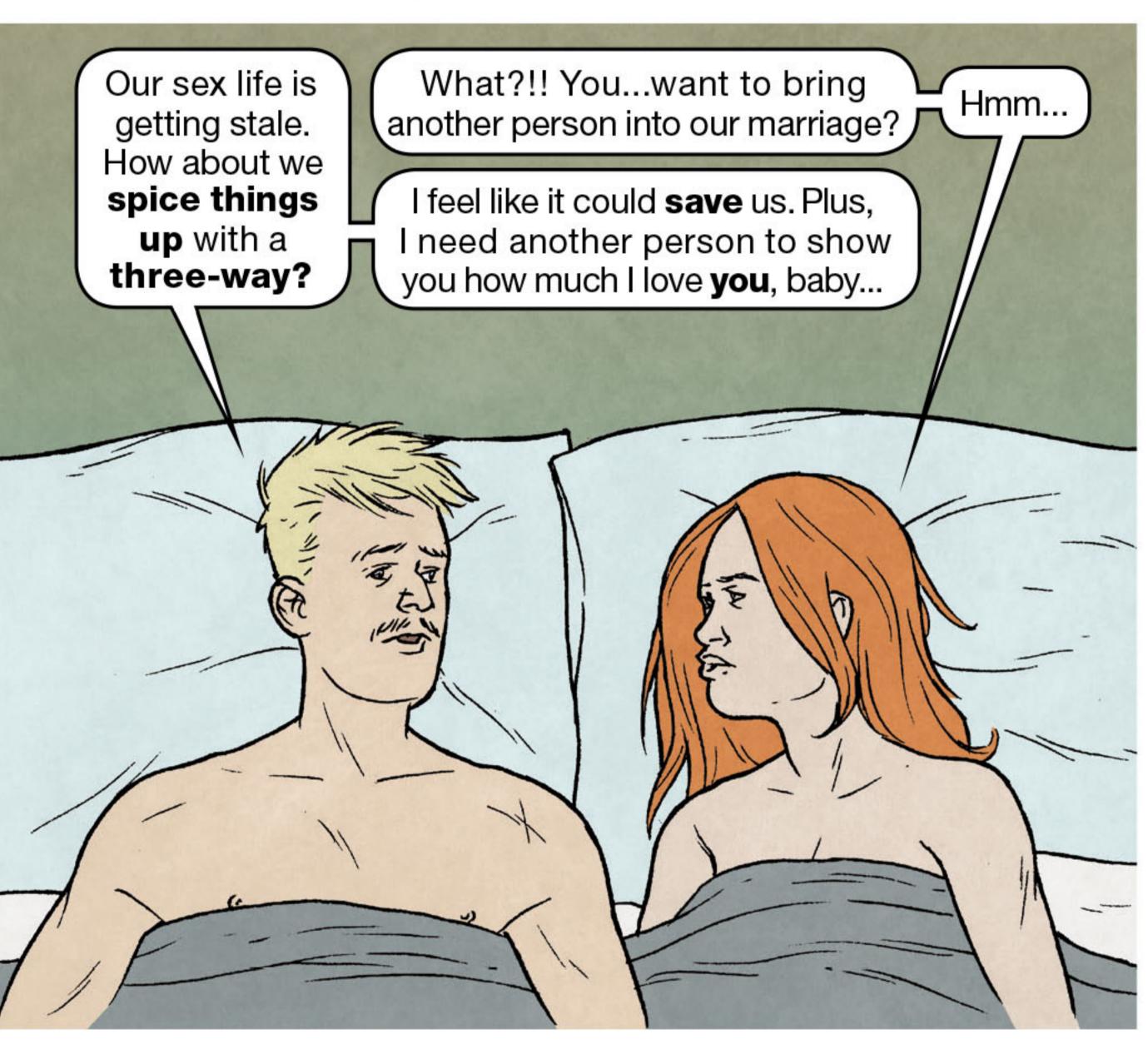
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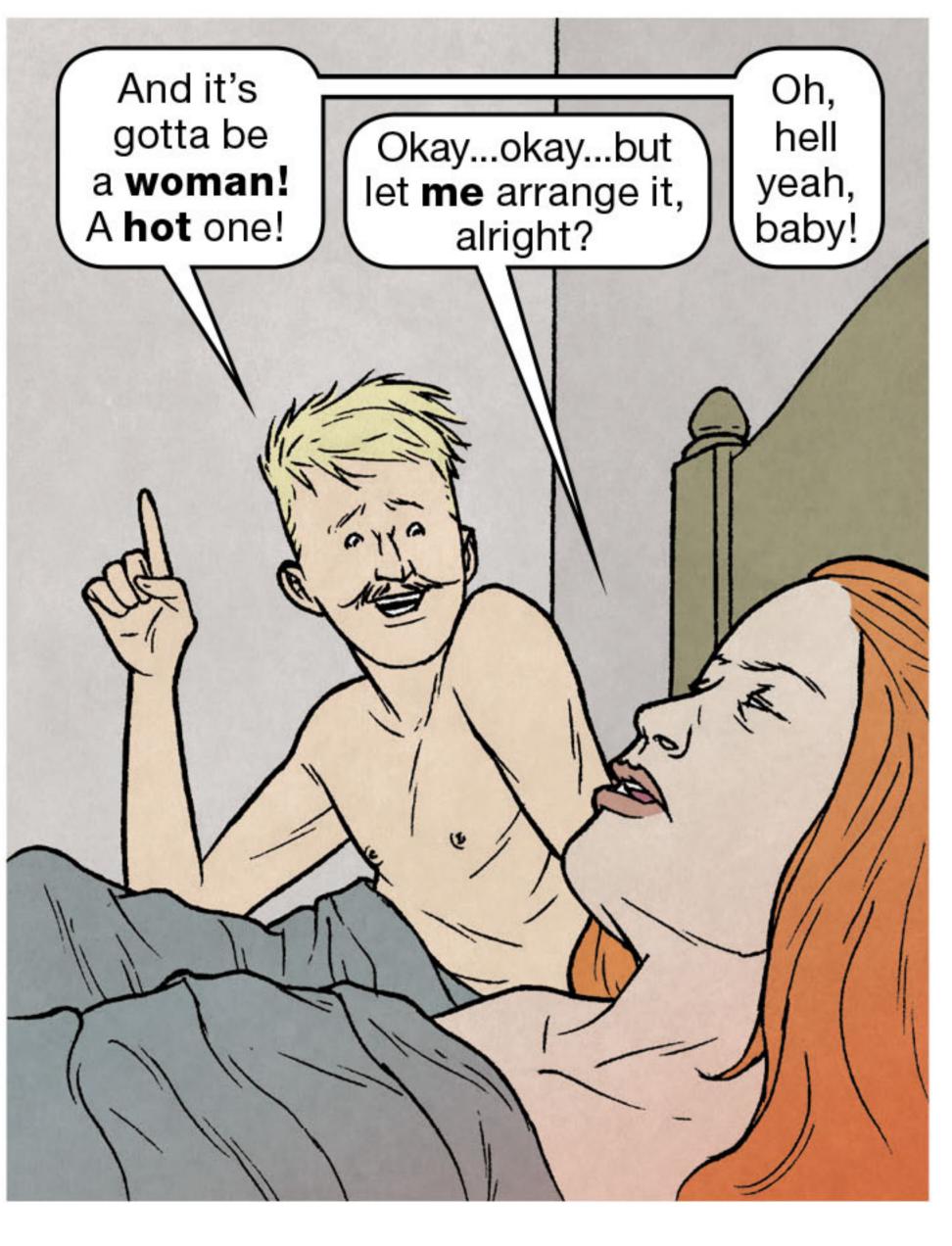






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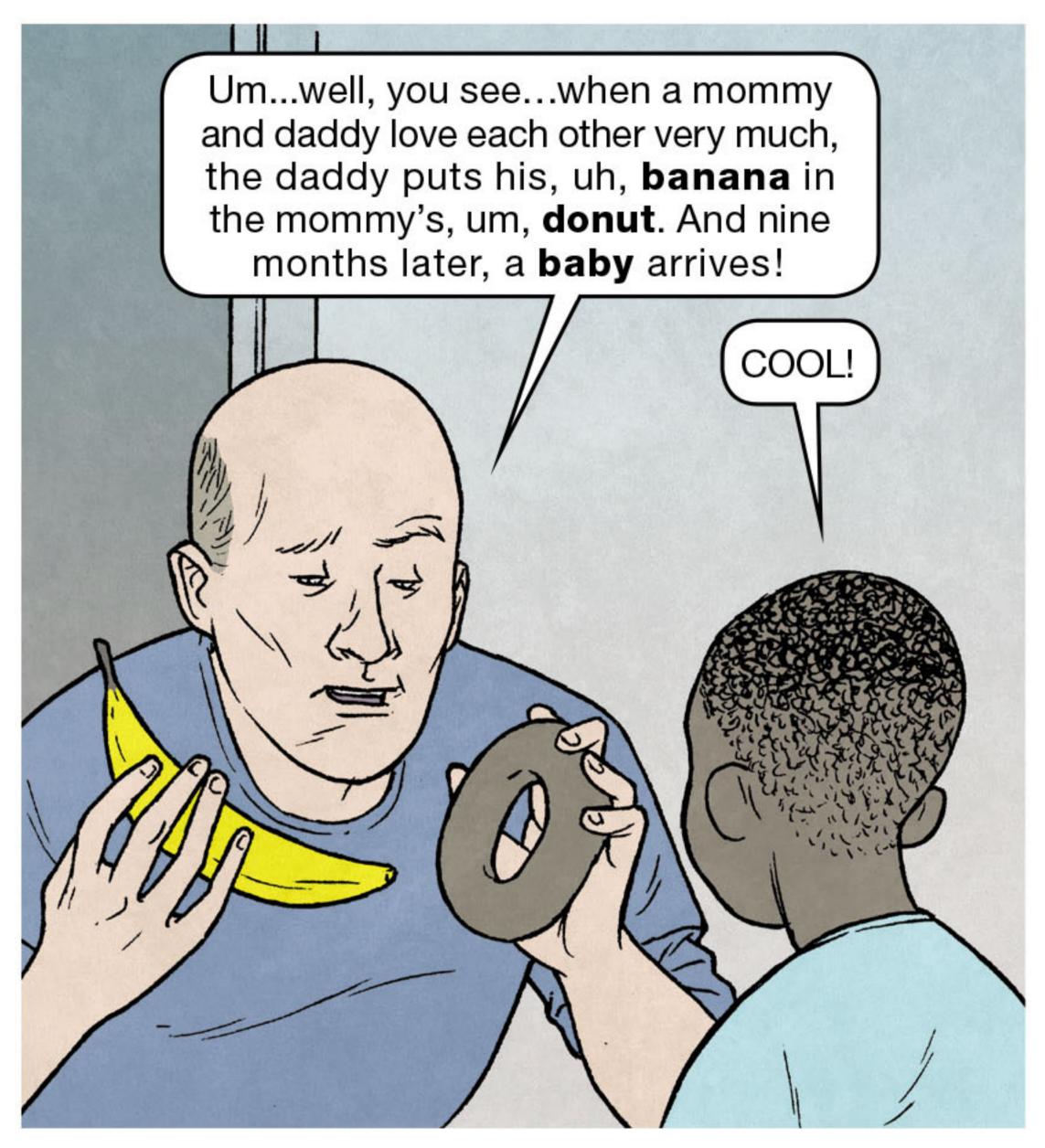






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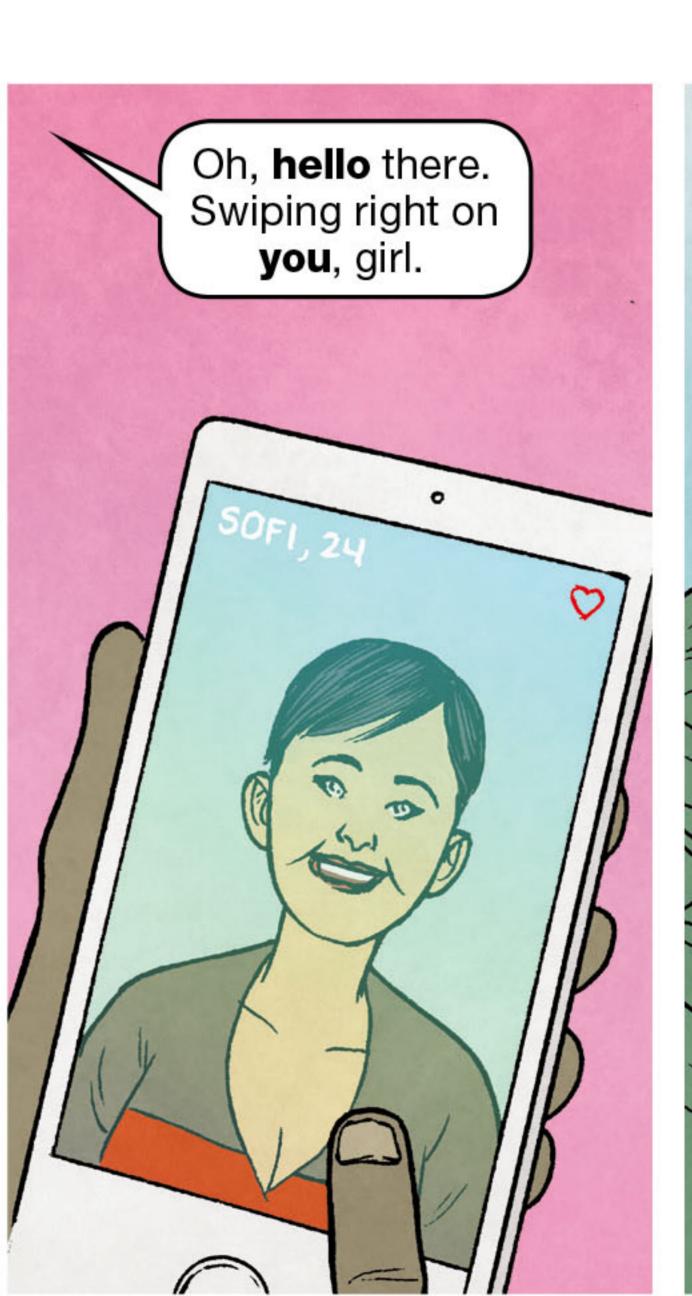




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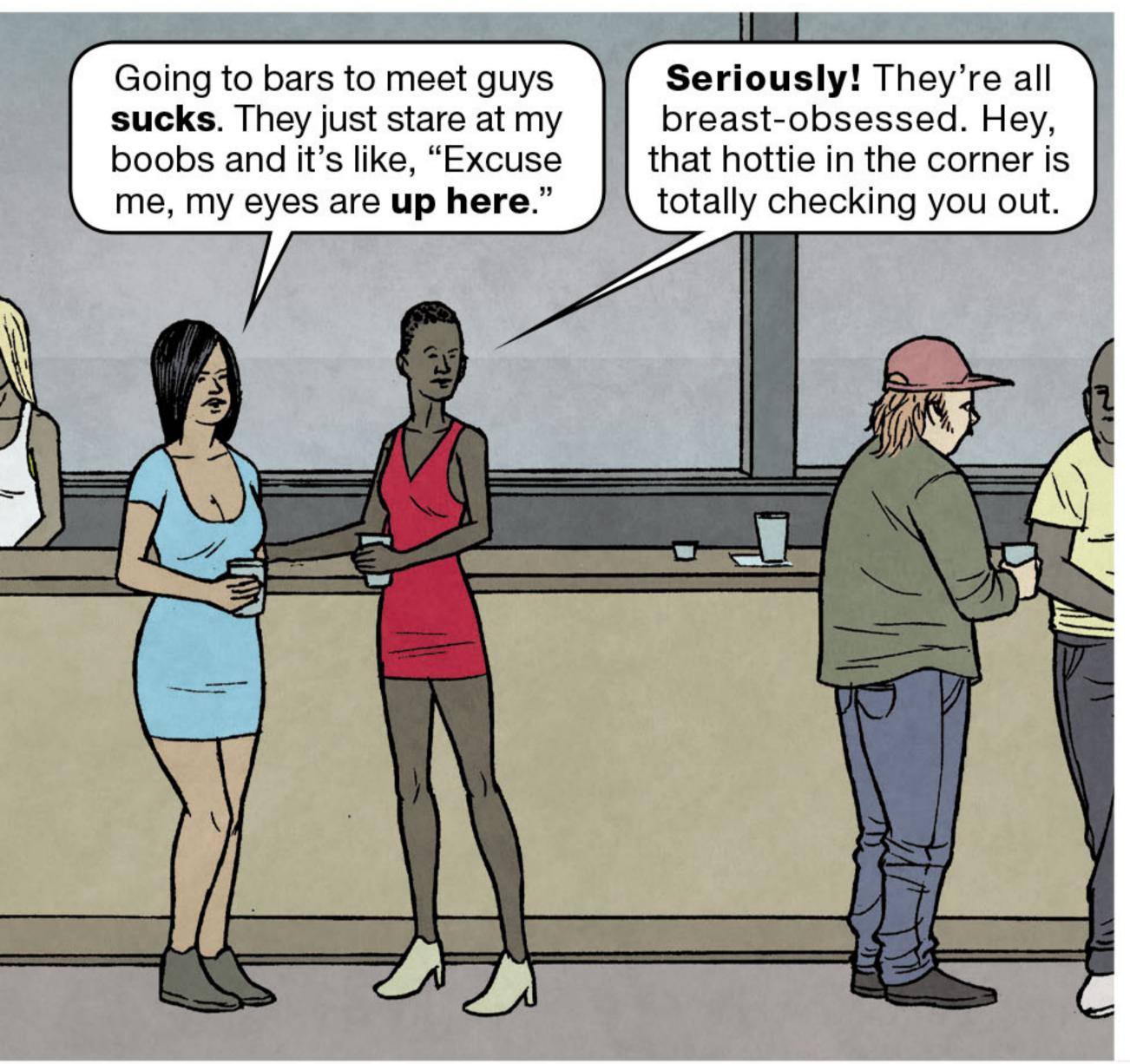








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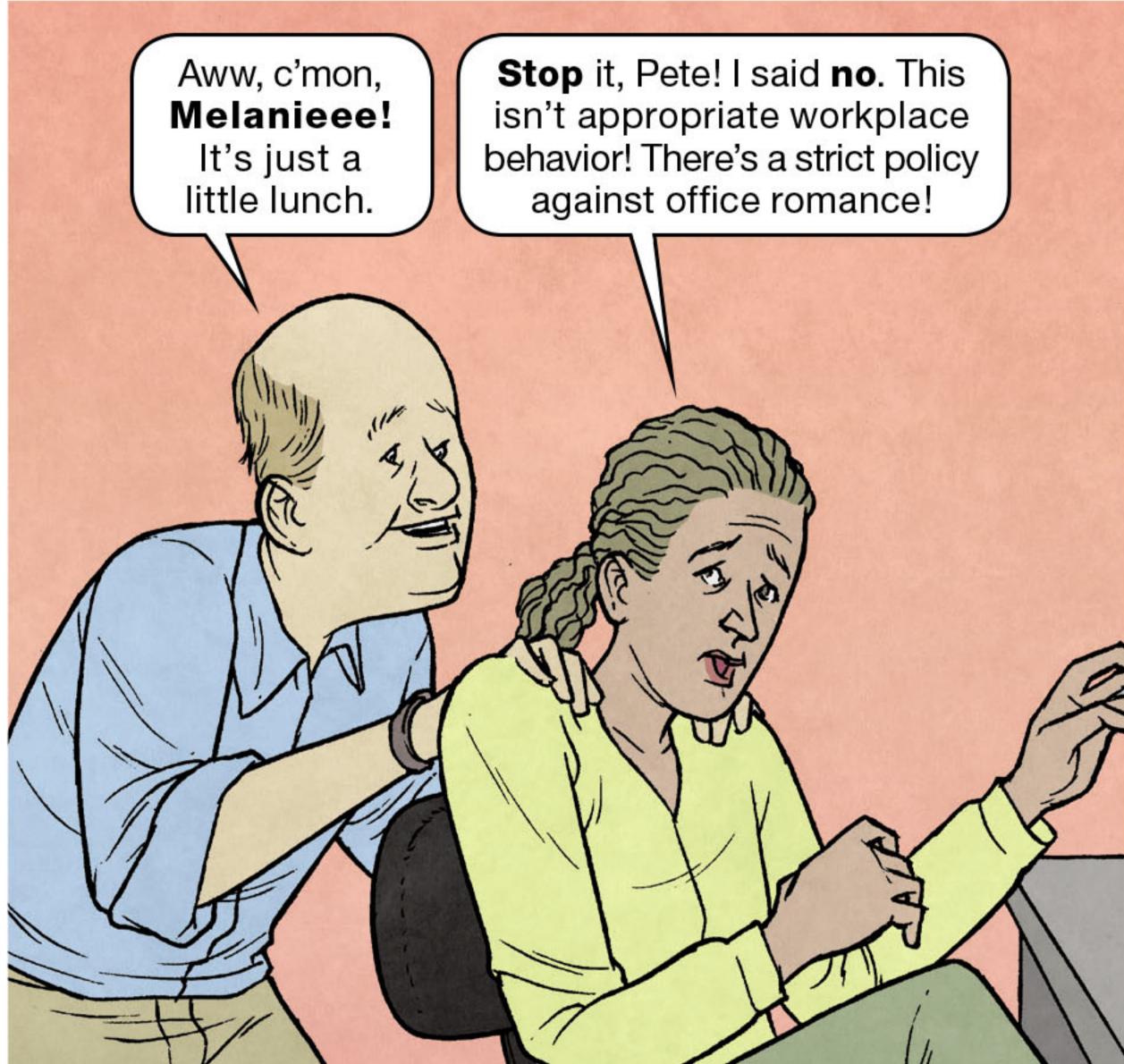






WORKPLACE









Hi, I'm Mike Lie-Well, inventor of My Pill-Ow! Like many of you, I had trouble sleeping. I solved my sleep (and my money) problems by making gullible folks think that my stupid, overpriced pillow would somehow help them sleep better, too!

WHILE IN A WORLD-FAMOUS PRISON

I CONDUCTED A SLEEP STUDY ON FELLOW INMATES, AND HERE'S WHAT I PROVED:

- Less neck pain than sleeping on a steel bedpan
- Fewer splinters than sleeping on a wooden pillow that a prisoner might nail together in woodshop
- More comfortable than sleeping on a pillow made of bricks found lying in the yard

MY PILL-OW! FEATURES:



WHY DO YOU ALWAYS SEE ME HOLDING MY PILL-OW! IN ALL MY ADS?

Because, quite frankly, it's way more comfortable to hold it than to actually try to sleep on it. And yes, I've heard some people have said the *My Pill-Ow!* looks lumpy in our infomercials. Folks, those are not lumps—they're "comfort-bumps"!

WHILE WE ARE NO LONGER "THE OFFICIAL PILLOW OF THE NATIONAL SLEEP COUNCIL," WE ARE "THE OFFICIAL PILLOW OF THE COUNCIL OF NEXT-TO-NONEXISTENT STANDARDS"!

GET FOUR \$49 MY PILL-OWS!

FOR THE PRICE OF TWO: JUST \$98! (PLUS \$98 SHIPPING AND HANDLING.)



OUR GUARANTEE:

YOU CAN RETURN MY PILL-OW! IF YOU DON'T LIKE IT!

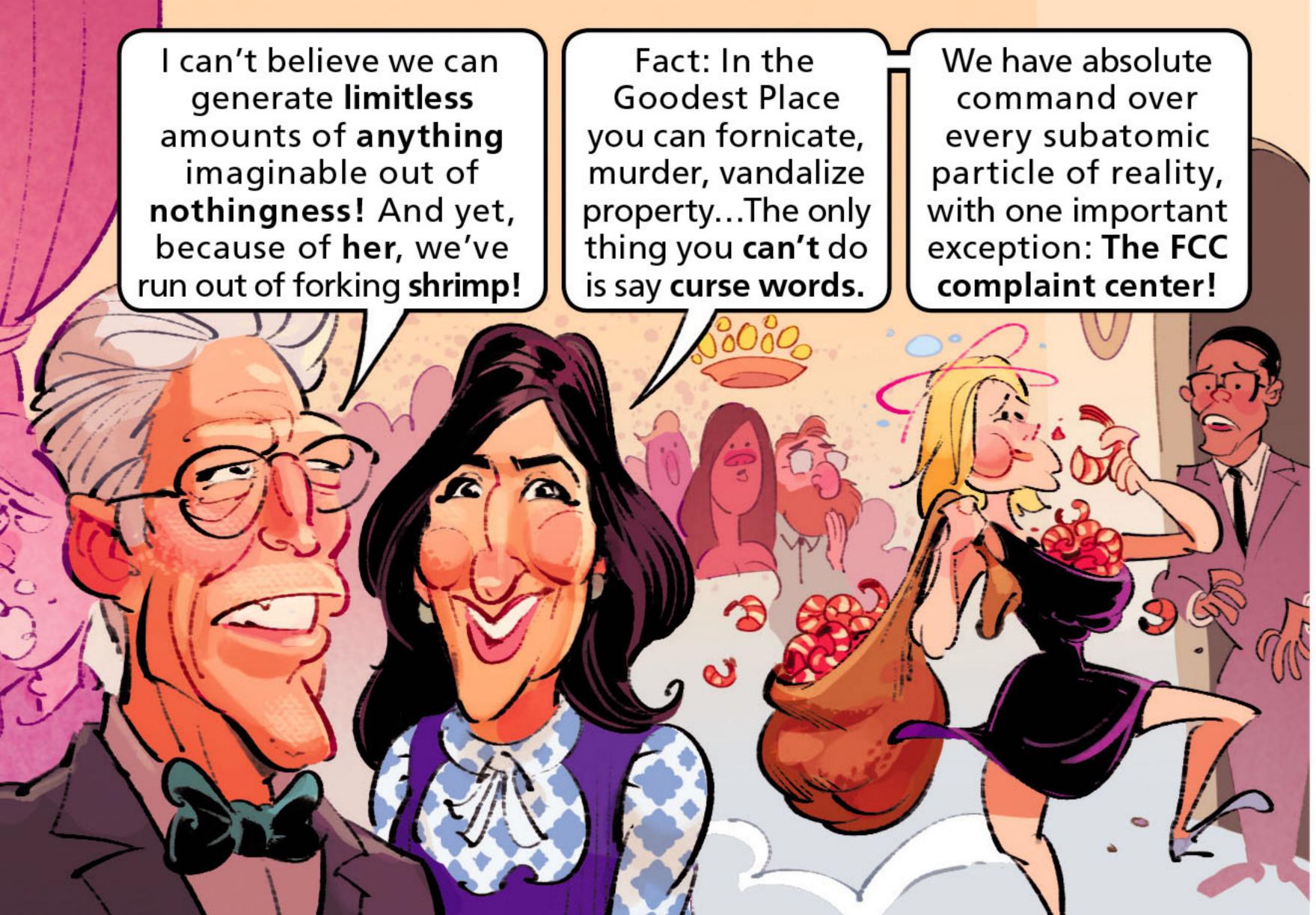
Just send back the *My Pill-Ow!* and the entire bed you use it on so we can judge whether it was your bed or *My Pill-Ow!* that wasn't comfortable. You are responsible for postage both ways and for a few other "return" charges that will NEVER be more than twice the price of your refund!

YOU'LL NEVER WAKE UP SAYING "OWW" AGAIN!

You'll say "Pill-Ow!!" OR, more likely, "That f***ing Pill-Ow!"

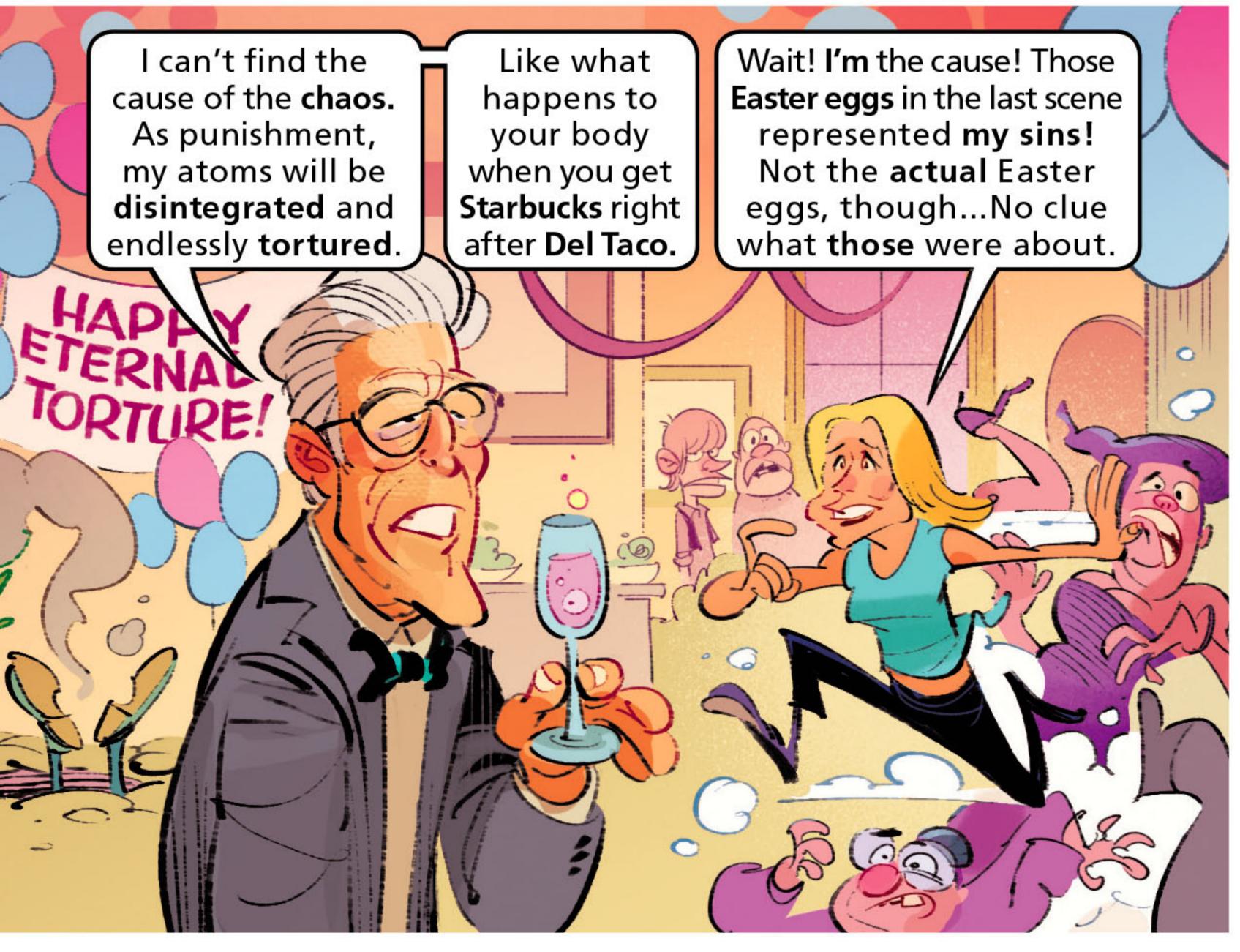
WRITER **DICK DEBARTOLO** ARTIST **MIKE LOEW**

Socrates proposed that "the unexamined life is not worth living." Friedrich Nietzsche asked, "Is man merely The Goodest Place DIRTY DANSON DEPT. a mistake of God's, or God a mistake of man?" And **Prince** said, "Let's look 4 the purple banana 'til they put us in the truck." What do these three greatest of all philosophers have in common? Answer: They're all DEAD! Just like everybody on... Greetings! I'm Psychael, the This place is beyond Exactly! You must all be Hi, I'm **Dammit**, your Think of me kindly architect and concierge wondering what this place confusing and hard to Hello, I'm Tsunami Al-Gebra, informational guide And yet as a less creepy of this neighborhood in **the** is. Surprise, you're dead! follow. Several of the and I love how you've you chose through the Goodest version of **Flo** Typically, everyone asks the Goodest Place. I'm a supreme dead people here started designed this place! It's like a body that Place! I contain all from Progressive being with staggering same two questions: how the paying attention to me in my BFF Katy Perry eating looks like an information and **Insurance**, or heck did I get **here**, and did the middle of **season** cosmogonic powers, and springtime macarons in a aging vegan knowledge in the a Wikipedia I clear my browser history two, and they ended up I can bend reality with music video directed by my Frankenstein with boobs. universe. committing suicide! before I died? the snap of a finger. ex, Wes Anderson! monster? **Alcoholism!** The only Hi, **Hellenor**. I'm thing I know about your soulmate, **Needi**. Uh...good effort. But ethically, What's **next**, a pilot How about completely Oh wow, a bunch philosophy is that So, which philosophical what is "good"? Am I "bad" for abandoned storylines and of **"dead"** people episode that starts **Voltaire** was the basis for doctrine do **you** plot twists that upend the done! saying your effort was "good" with a close-up of searching for a giant robot cartoon. adhere to, determinism when I truly believed it was higher meaning the main character's entire premise every or relativism? eyes opening? **bad?** Ooh, I don't feel so good. in their afterlives. other episode? But they're dead, too. Here's the Since you're Smashing! Party planning is just Hmmm, either So, we've been paired The **scoring formula** incorporates You got here by one of the everything I'm good at! Oooh! This gives me an existential all going to be as a couple for eternity. Doesn't that make **them** the thing, though I'm tortured in gaining points for he **very best parts** of judging stomachache and deconstructionist Hell for eternity, Maybe we're destined to Sartre and de Beauvoir of the neighbors for I'm here because in life, I raised wasn't a Olympic figure skating, everything good you diarrhea! If I can teach you to be be the **Jean-Paul Sartre** afterlife? Besides, we're more or I sit through eternity, I thought **\$60 billion** for charity. But I worry good person. **NEVER R** ever did, but you lost Starbucks Rewards points, and MAINTAIN points for bad things. and Simone de Beauvoir like Kirk and Spock without Philosophy 101. I might get kicked out because I'm here by it'd be nice to set a better person, maybe you can kindergarten forehead stars. Can I **sleep** on it? I spent \$70 billion on parties! mistake! of the afterlife? all the **sexual tension**. earn your place here! up a little party. PARTICIPATE IN A "CINNAMON CHALLENGE" VIDEO: -10.58 DO THE FOLD-IN LEAVE LARGE WITHOUT BUYING -950.96 PILE OF HAIR I XTRA LOUD SO A FOREIGNER -276 CAN UNDERSTAND YOU: -276 CHECK EMAIL DURING SEX -1451.9



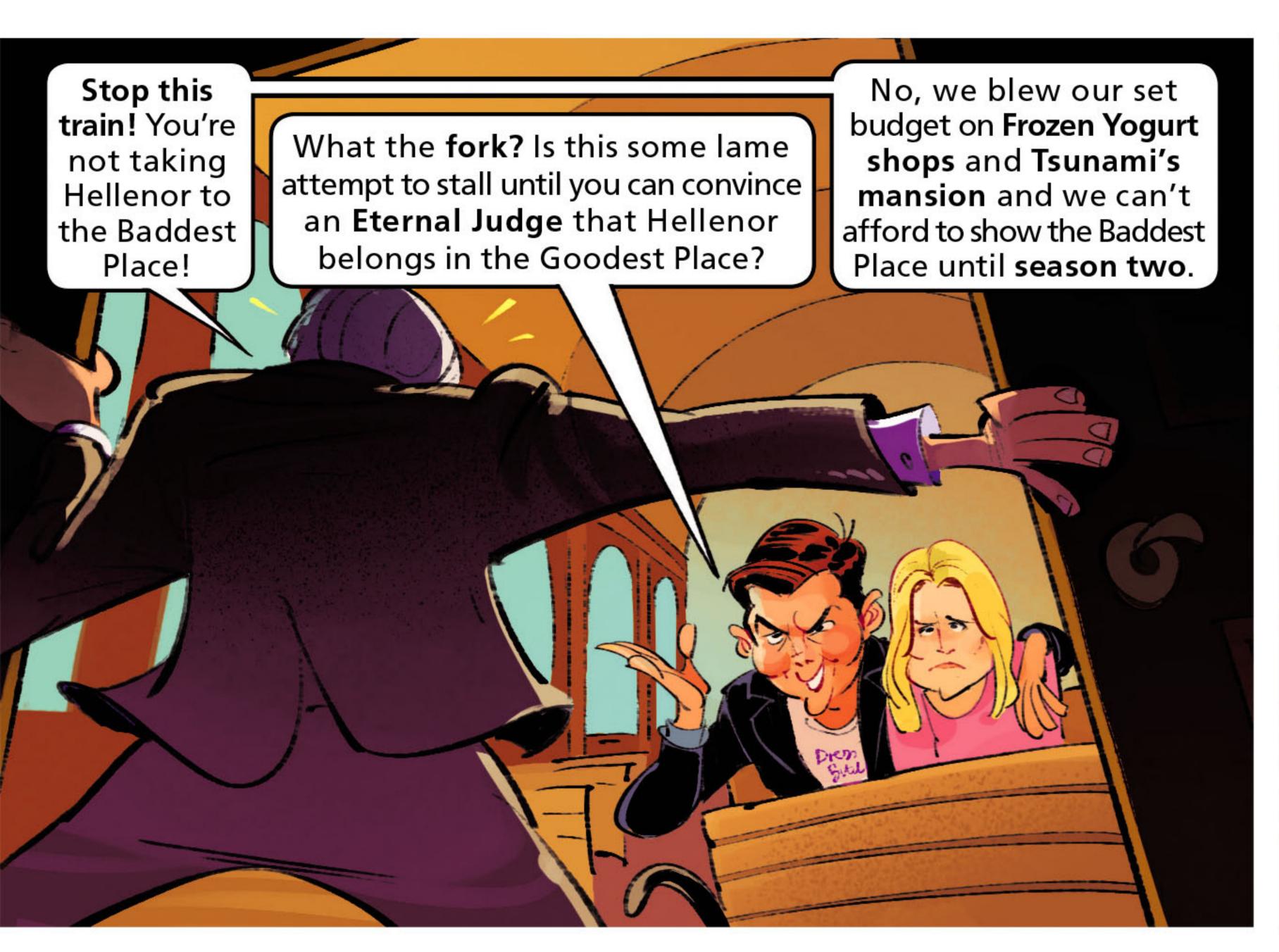




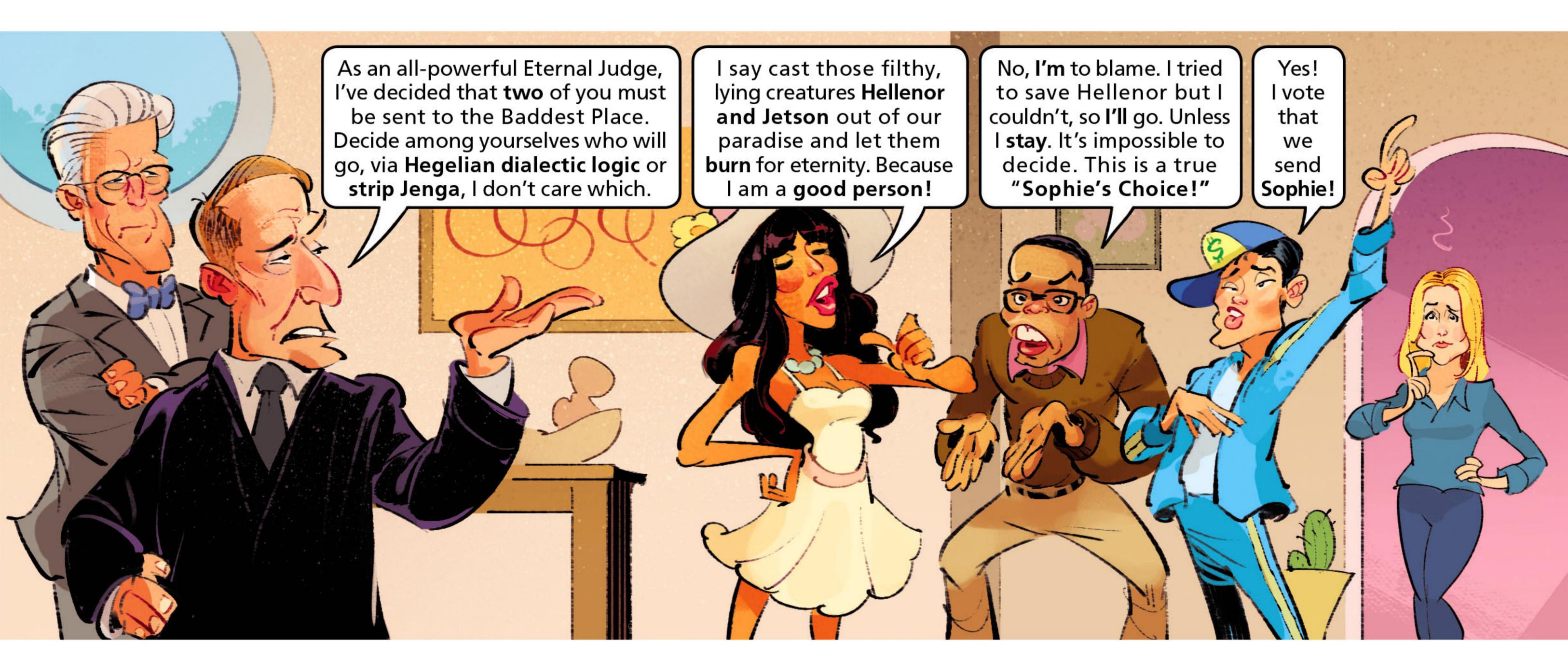


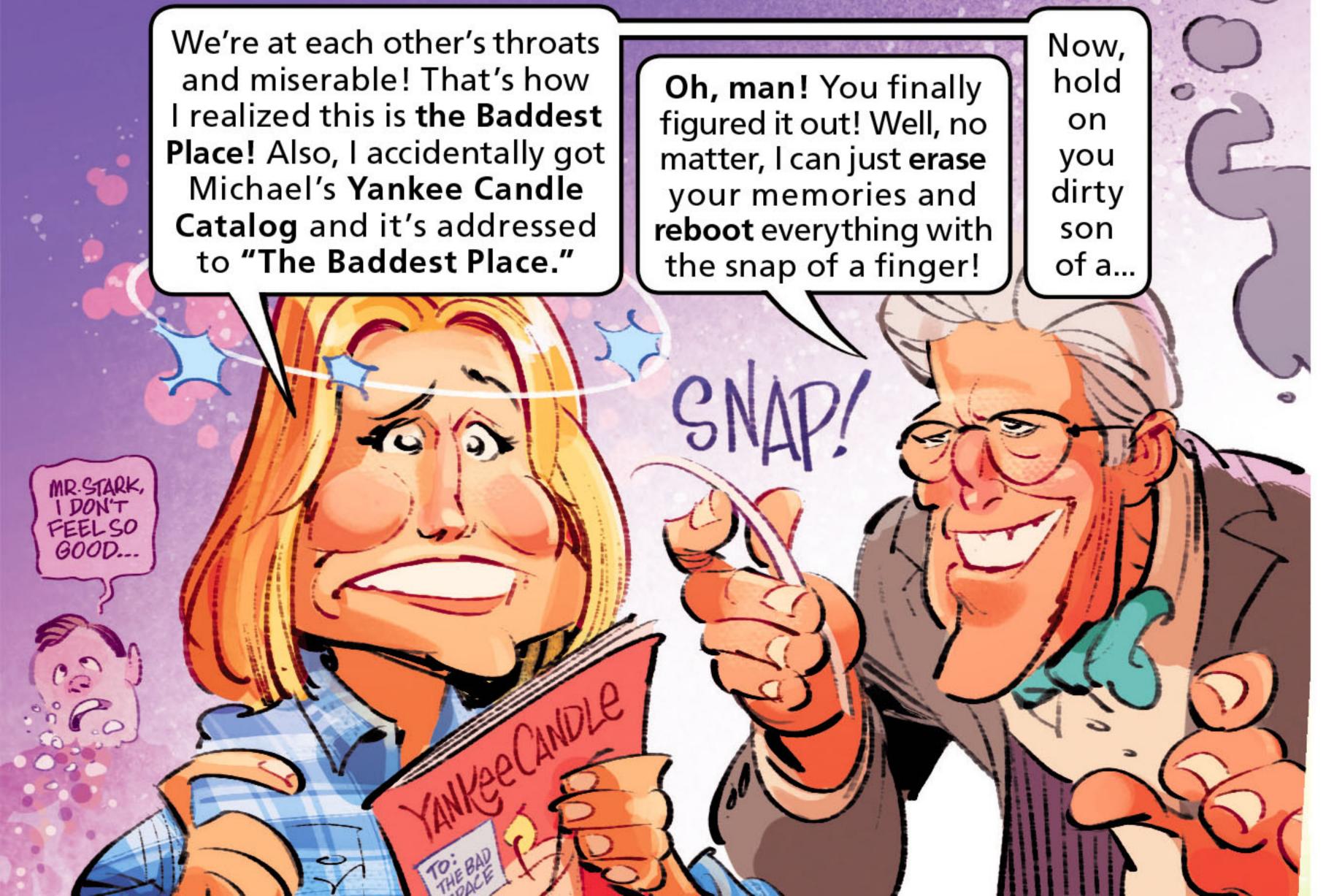


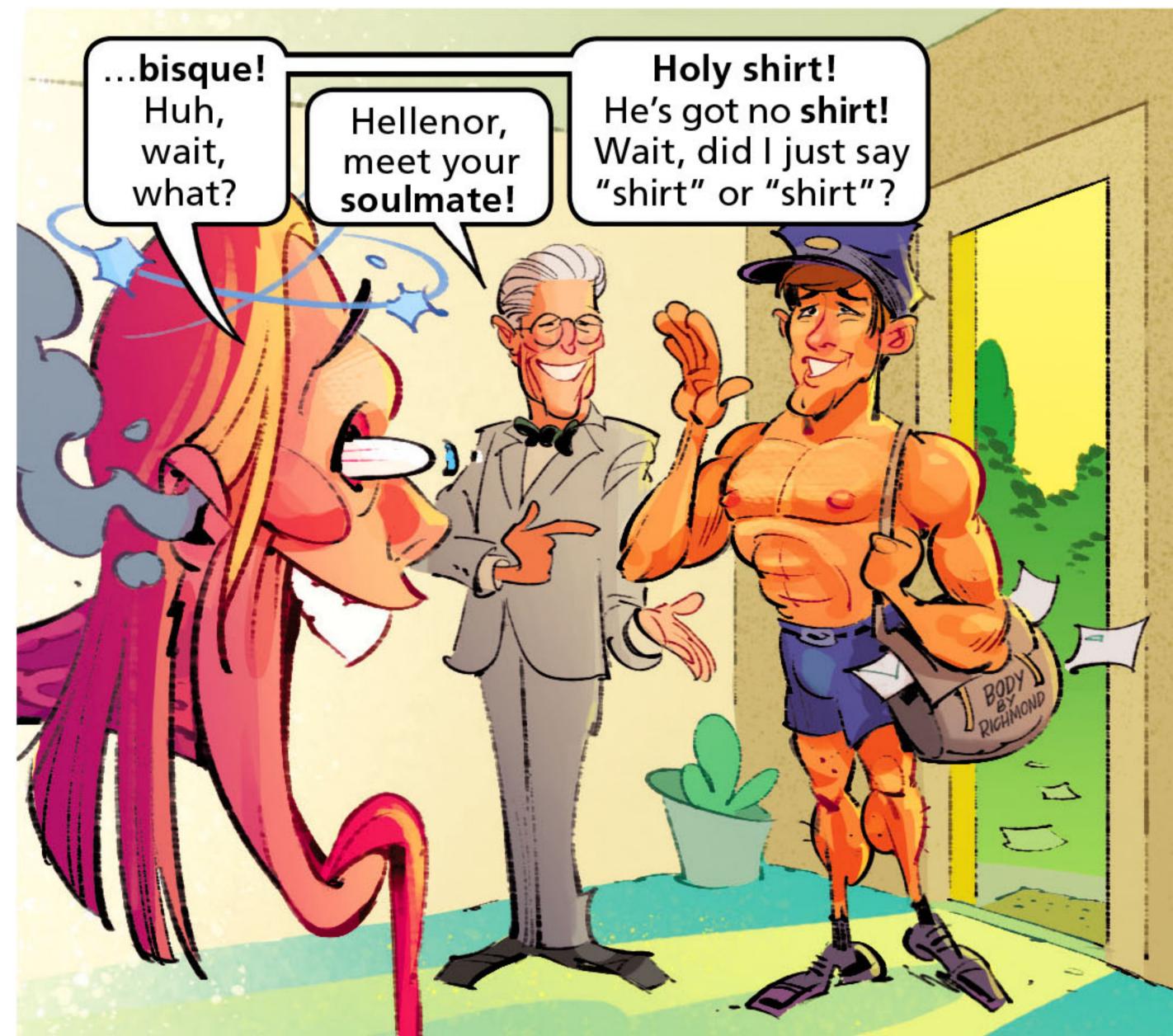






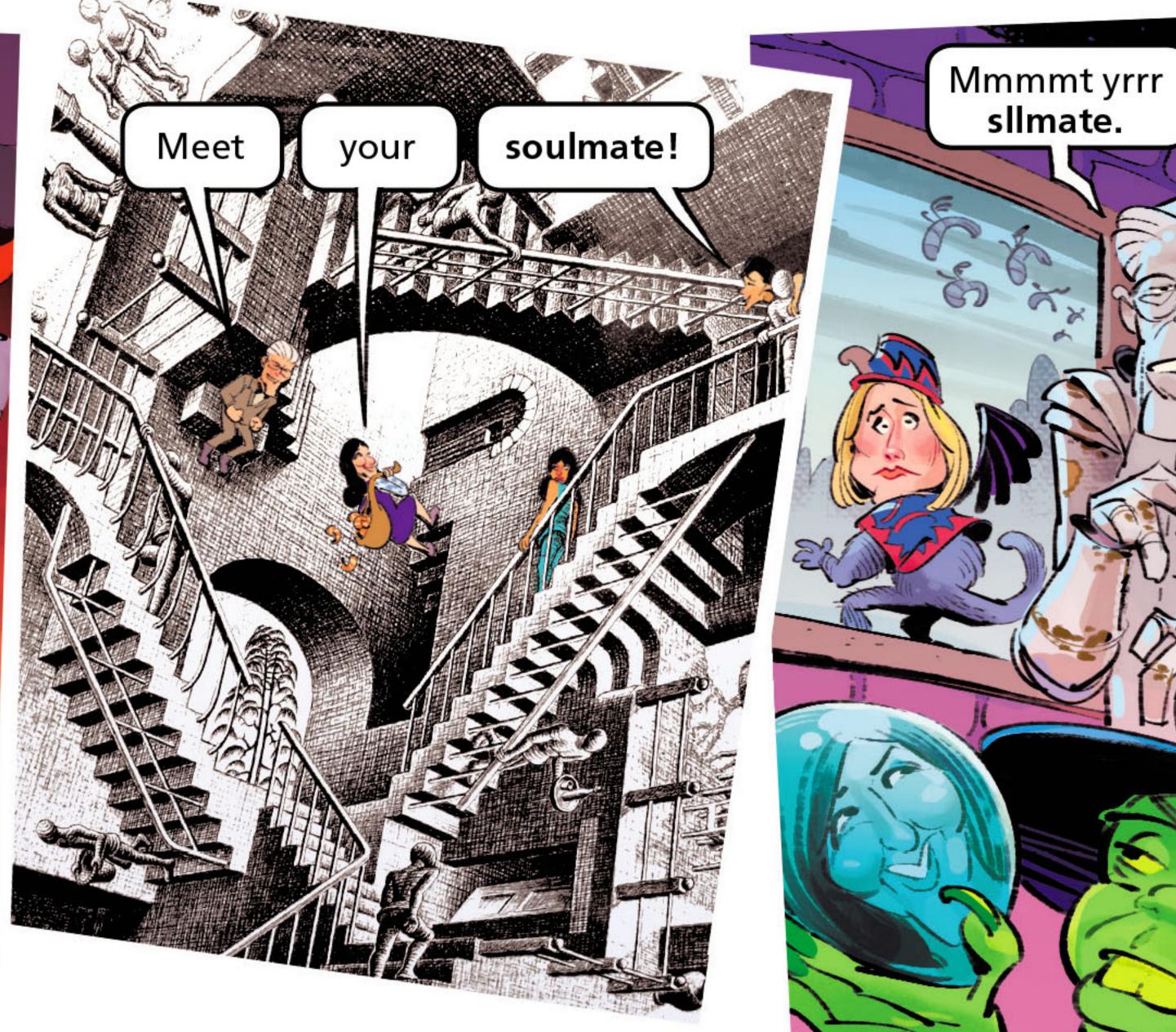




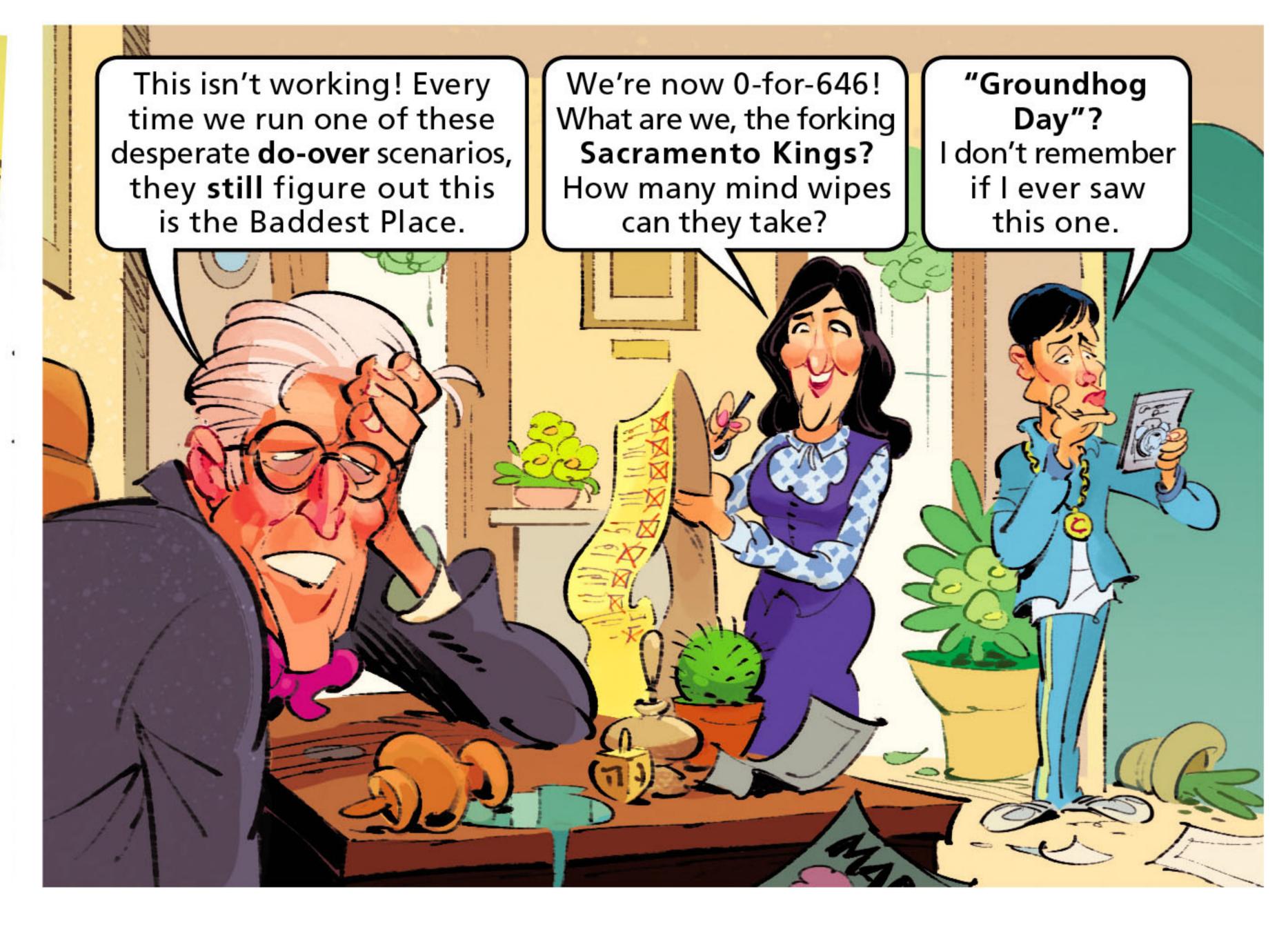


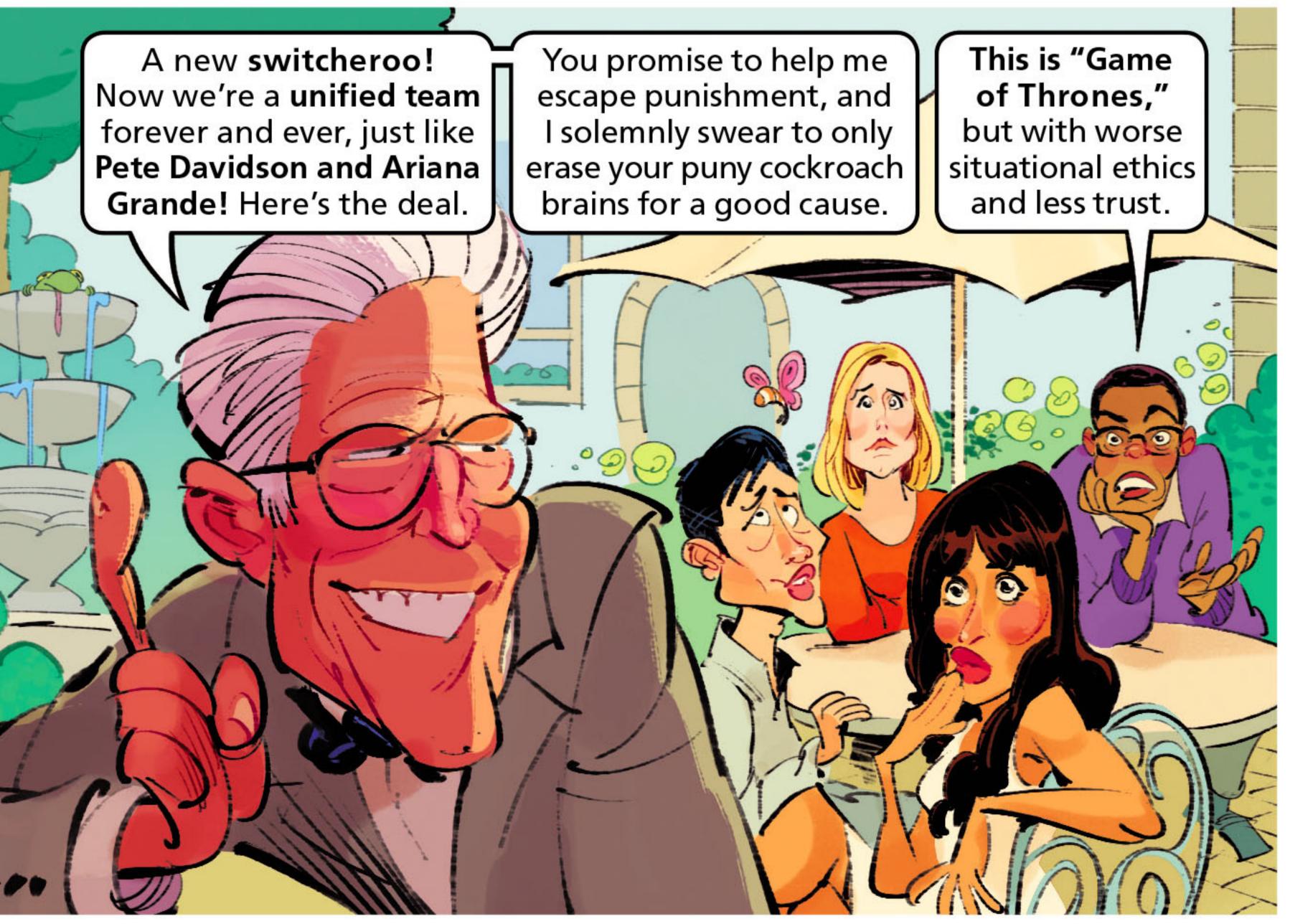




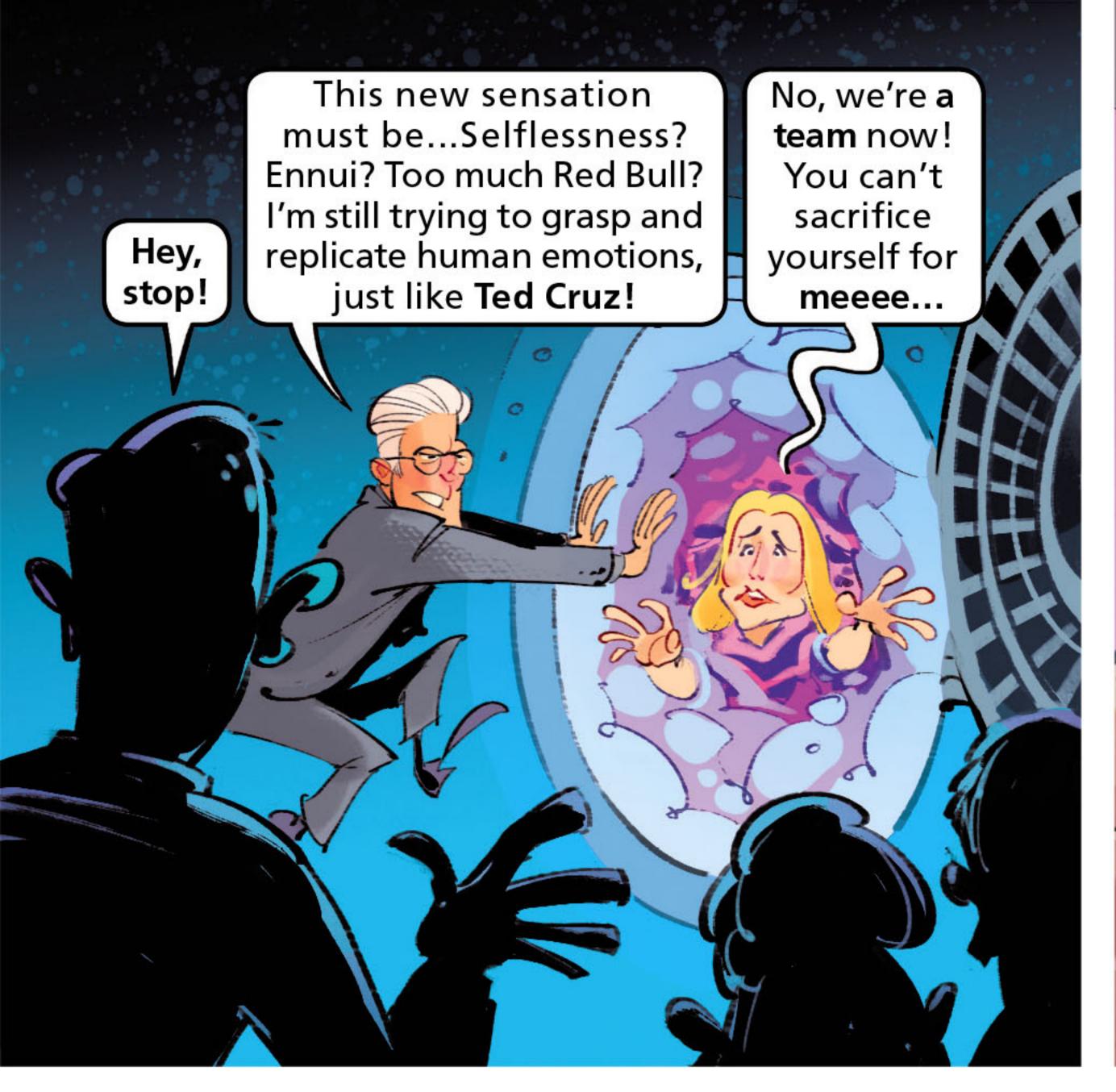


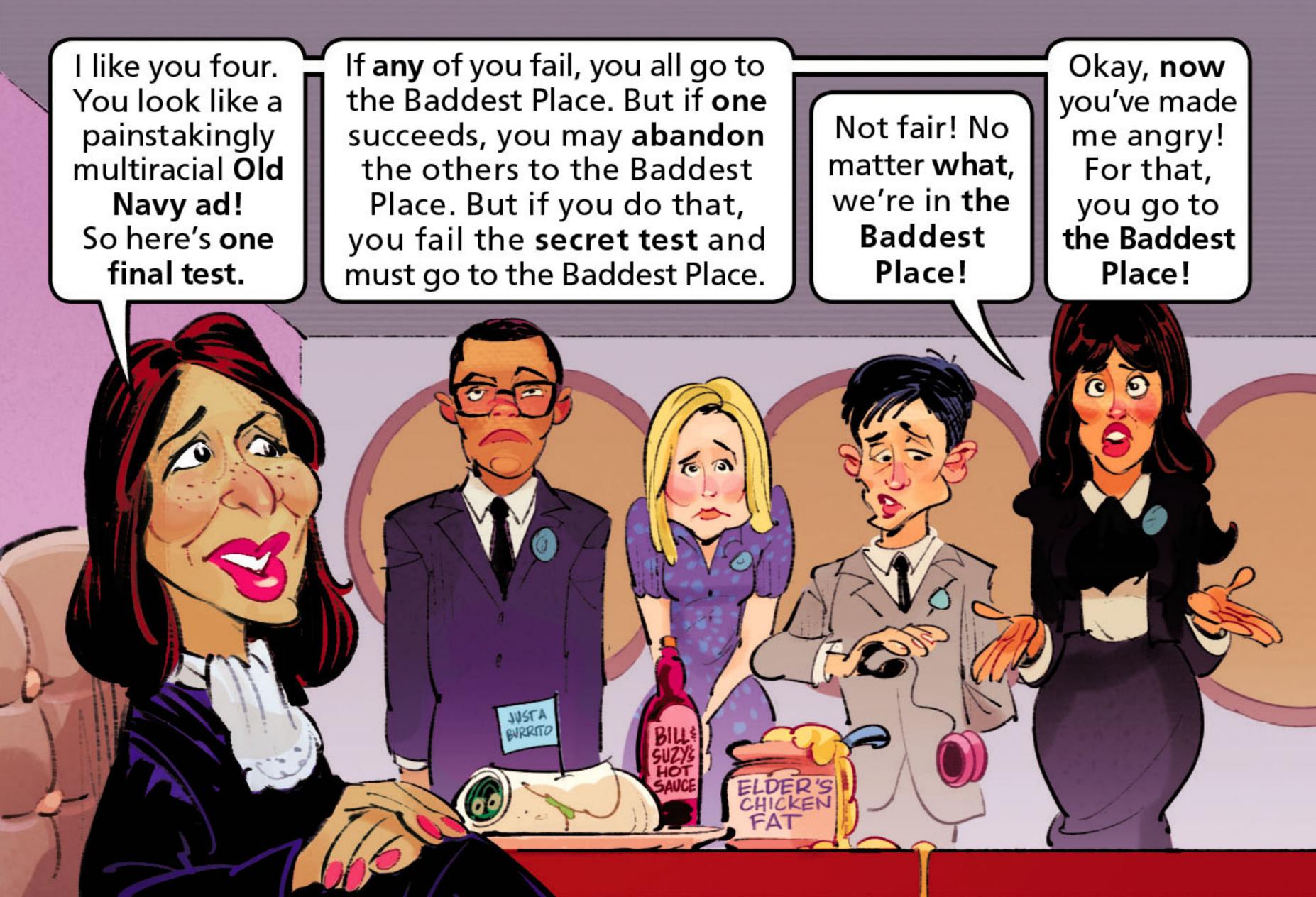




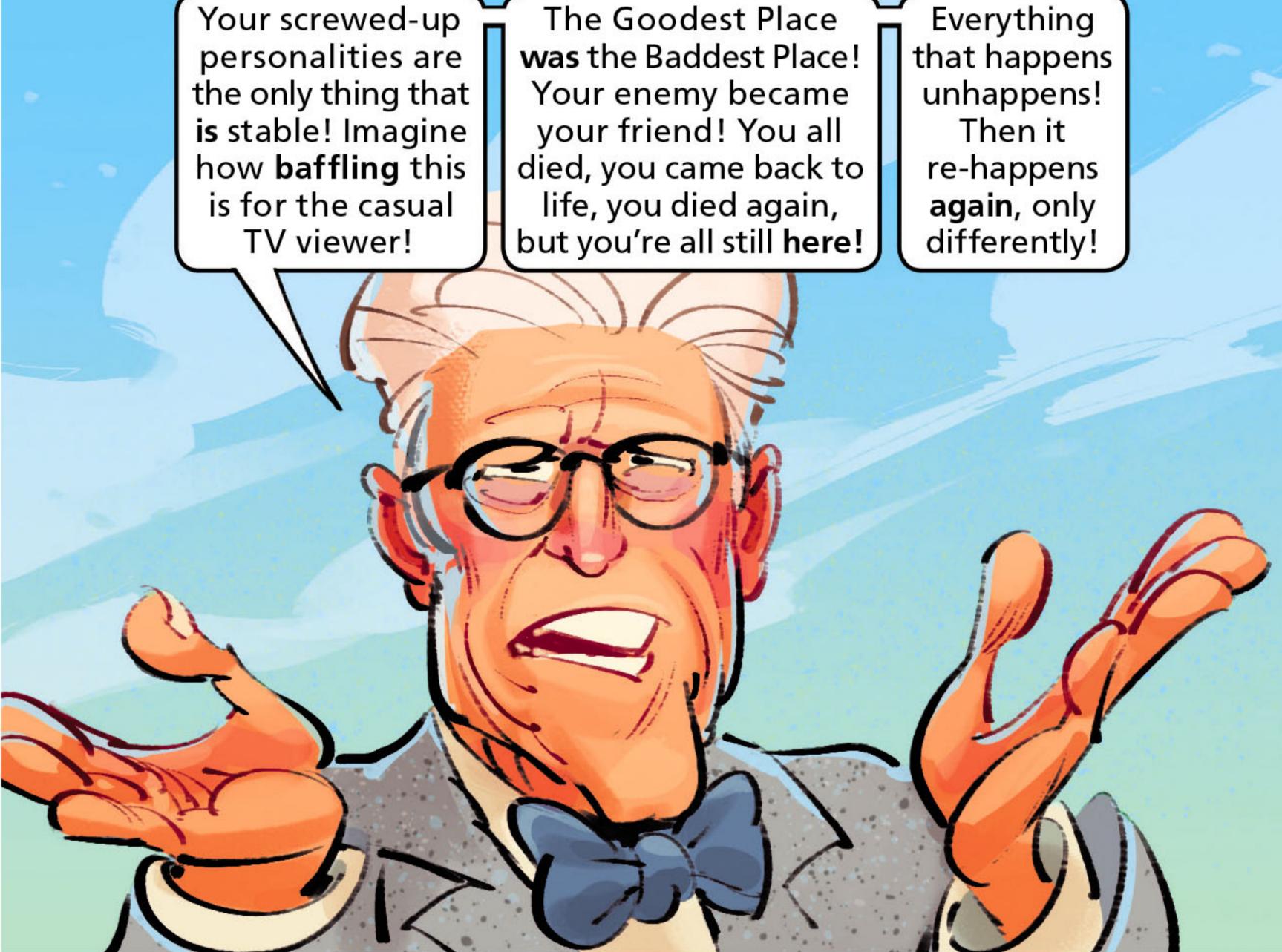


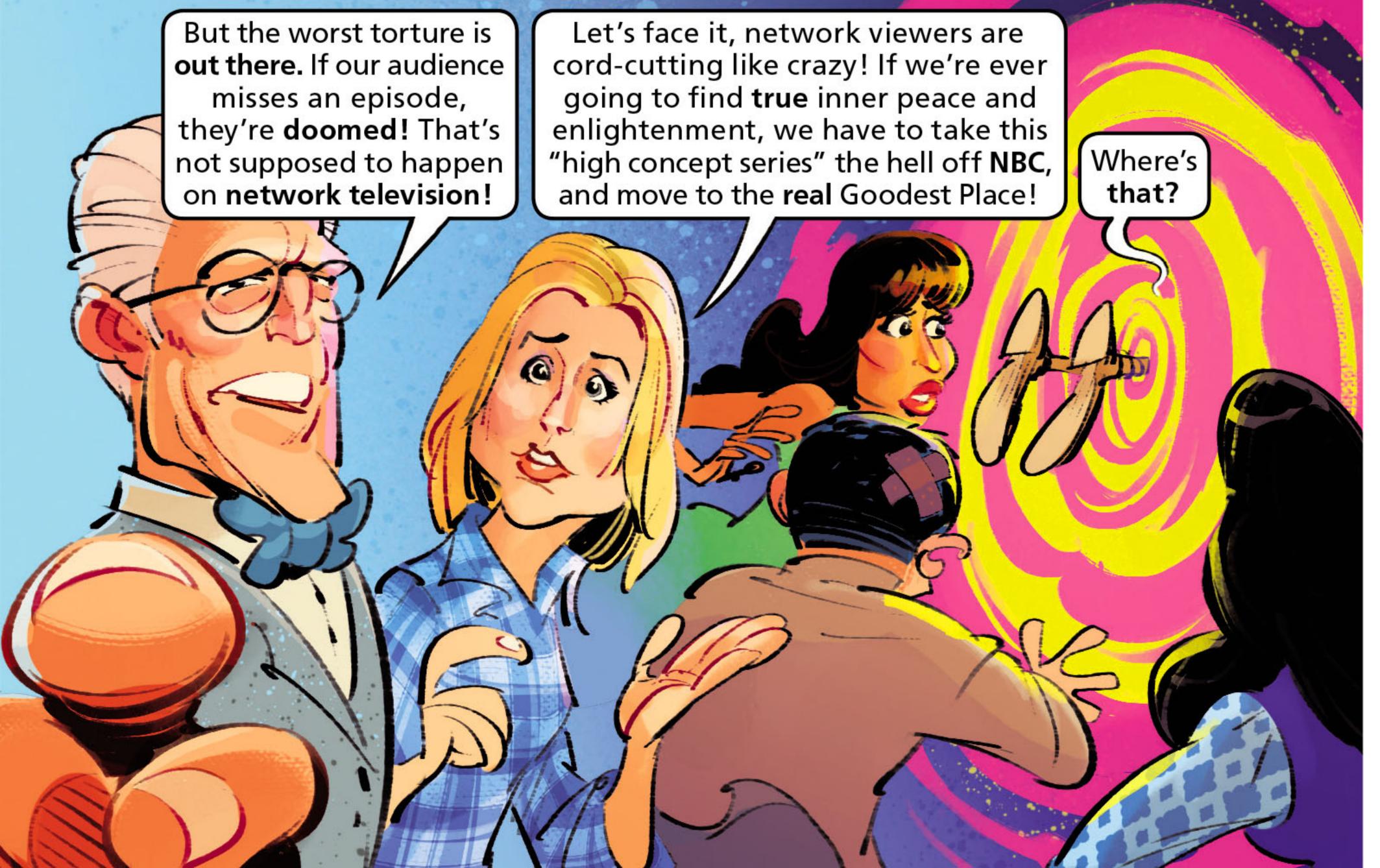


















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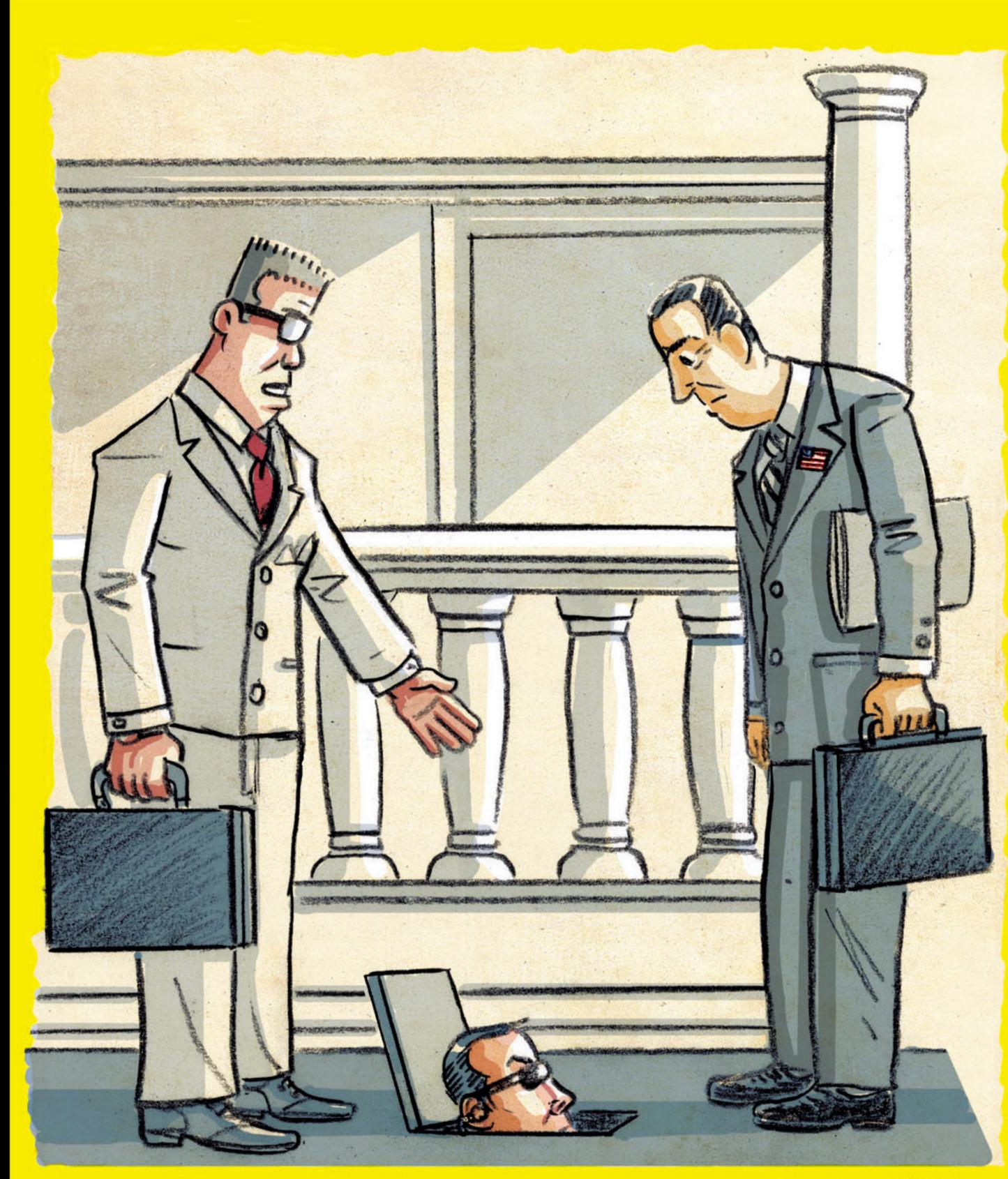






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OF GRANTING MOST WISHES,"

WRITER & ARTIST P.C. VEY



KUPER

"Wilson here is with Deep State."

WRITER & ARTIST PETER KUPER

MODERN DAY BABY FIRSTS

Baby's First Butt Selfie



Baby's First Vape Pen



Baby's First "Please Hold" Moment



Baby's First Etsy Shop



Baby's First Brunch Photo



Baby's First Cleanse



WRITER MATT LASSEN ARTIST JOHNNY SAMPSON

INSPIRING COACH MANTRAS YOU RARELY HEAR

Winning isn't everything! But losing is the only other option, so...I'm not sure where I was going with this.

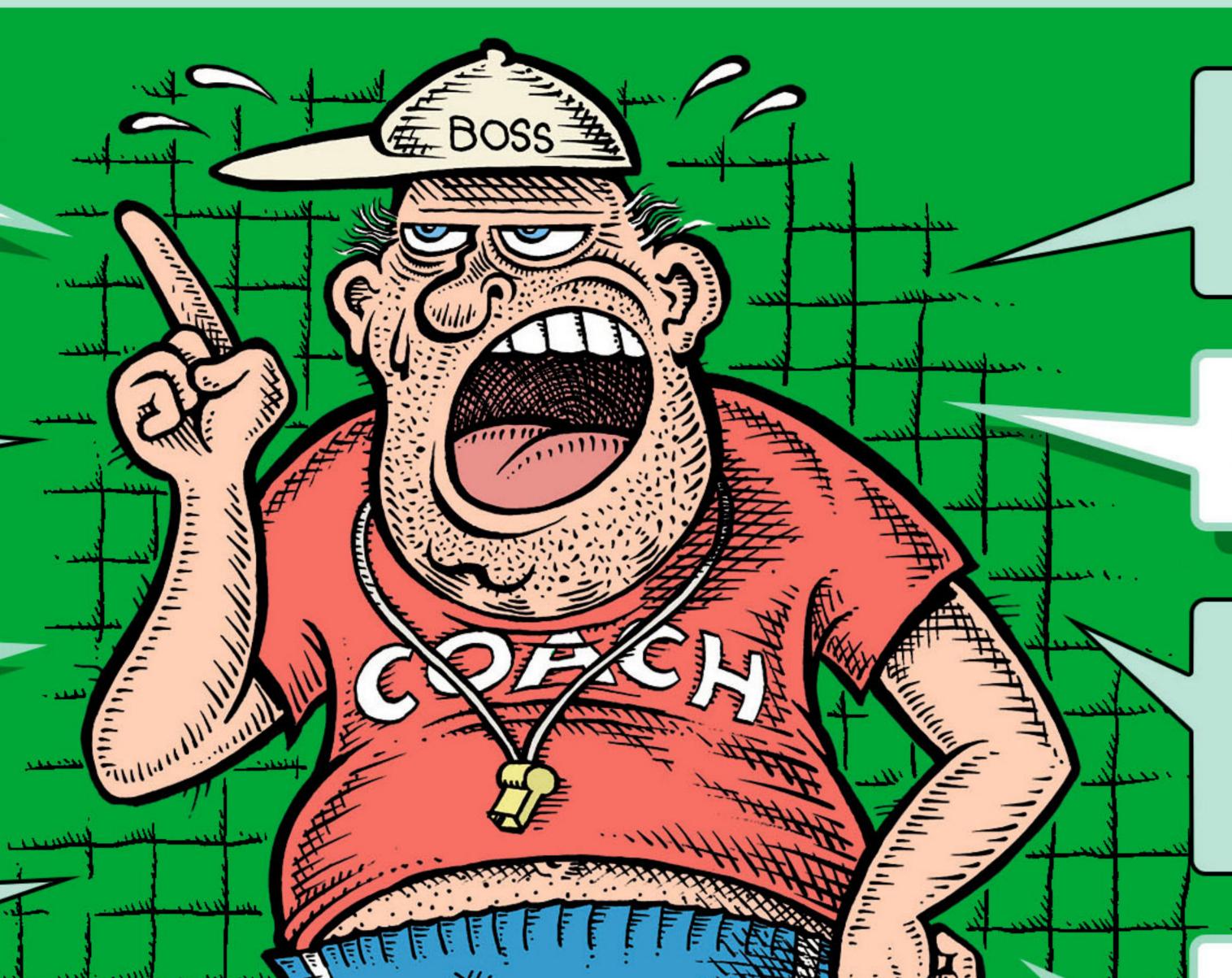
Don't leave it all out on the field! Save some effort for the next game!

We have to control the tempo out there! I didn't take six years of tap for this.

> The game isn't over until both teams have scored enough points to win the "over" bet.

We need to take things eight games at a time.

WRITER **JEFF KRUSE**



Larry Bird's not walking through that door, although Kevin McHale might! I hear he's available.

If you lose but still give it your all, then you're probably just not very good!

Remember, there's no "I" in "team"! Although there is one in "franchise," and, of course, there is a "me" in "team," so forget I said anything.

You miss 100% of the shots you don't take. I miss those tight little basketball shorts they used to wear!

PAT MORIARITY

Most days are spent peering into pet store windows.



The guide seems to be making up species.

OVER THERE, YOU CAN SEE THE DI IDDI E-SDI FENED New members are hazed by "Big Ed."



SIGNS YOU'RE IN A BAD BIRDWATCHING GROUP WRITER JEFF KRUSE

BIRDS = APYTHING WITH

They don't seem to understand what birds aren't.



The group's motto: "We live for danger."





BOOM OPERATORS PROTEST

WRITER & ARTIST
JASON CHATFIELD

"Okay, heh, so - when a mommy and daddy

penguin love each other ... y'know what? Let's take another call!"

WRITER KENNY KEIL ARTIST RICK TULKA

WRITER & ARTIST LARS KENSETH

The idea for Forky came about shortly before a gas leak was discovered at the Pixar offices.

The name "Forky" has upset thousands of cutlery enthusiasts who feel the spoon's contributions are being erased.

Disney hopes Forky's simple design will inspire children to make their own toys. Just kidding. They want you to shell out 35 bucks for a plastic spork.

Forky's love interest (an adorkable clawfoot bathtub) was cut from the film after Pixar received too many complaints about her being named Tubby.

Post filming, Forky was seen running away with his upcoming co-star, Tiffany Ha-DISH.

The character has inspired the surprisingly delayed Weird Al parody, "Tine After Tine."

If you think this new character is bad, just wait until you see Commodey, Plungey, Zappy the Electrical Outlet, and Tanky the Wife Beater.



They count mascots as sightings.



Dear MAD people,

I feel compelled to point out a glaring inconsistency in your Rejected Monster Cereals article. As a physician, I carefully observe nutritional labels. You may have thought that no one would take the time to read the fine, diagonal, slightly blurrily printed labels on those cereals...Wrong. I was very disappointed to see that your Bone Pops (which, by your own admission, are literally just bones) fiber content and sugar content are **EXACTLY** the same as the Lurking Harms (containing spiders, slime, and glass). I mean, what are the odds? This head scratcher has made me lose several nights' sleep.

Bones would typically have at least 12 grams of fiber per serving, unless excessively osteoporotic. I do hope that you realize that deliberately falsifying nutritional information is a serious and punishable offense. Please consider the children whose lives you may adversely affect.

Sincerely, Dr. David Rebuck, D.O. Hamilton, NY

Reprimandin' Rebuck—Thank you for pointing out this glaring error, which we will now frame as a carefully planted trap! We knew a detail so slipshod would never go undetected by our keen-eyed readers, so we intentionally repeated the nutritional info as a test, which you passed! Congratulations! Be on the lookout for even more deliberately sown gaffes in future issues, and congratulate yourself as

MAD Intern and you find them, since we only have so much space in the letters section!

Chief Letter Answerer

GIRL, CORRUPTED

Dear MAD, Being a lifelong reader of MAD, I recently introduced my 9-year-old granddaughter Kylee to MAD Magazine, and as you can tell from the picture, it appears I've done

and hooked fo

Keep up the good work, MAD, I plan on introducing you to her 4-month-old sister very soon.

Jack McGinley, via email

Jack and the 'Zine Talk—This photo makes all our loafing around, pretending to be busy totally worth it! We hope Kylee came away from the issue with a strong antiauthoritarian streak that made her like you more than she likes her parents (the objective of every grandparent). A note for Kylee's sister, though— MAD Magazine is not recommended for teething. —AT



ALFRED LOOK-ALIKE

Who is this rough-looking frontiersman? He sure does look a lot like Alfred E. Neuman! We bumped into this character in Red Dead Online, forming up a Wild West version of the Usual Gang of Idiots. If you'd like to bump into him, too, add AlfredNeuman1952 as your PlayStation Network friend, and perhaps you can posse up. It could even end up on MAD's Twitch channel:

Dear MAD, I'm 12 years old and love your stuff! The last issue Sick burns, Bartelboy—But you and your was priceless, as in, so bad I shouldn't have to pay! I love Sergio brother have bested us for the last time! Aragonés' work and the Shorts & Briefs pages are hilarious. Now, hey, wait a minute, what type of fighting brother and I both like Spy vs. Spy, but compared to our fights, are you guys doing that puts the spies to ! Anyways, thanks for this incredibly useless waste shame?! We hope we don't have to call the of paper my brother and I call MAD Magazine!

Hunter Bartel, B.C., Canada

cops. They don't take too kindly to us after we called 9-1-1 to order an emergency pizza for the MAD offices. —AT

A GIFT FROM SANTA ANA

MAD Magazine first entered our household with Issue #35. I fell in love with Issue #52. It remained my favorite issue until I recently received re-numbered Issue #4. I am a huge Svengoolie fan, we Lovecraft fans thrilled to "Cthasper." "The Ghastlygun Tinies" also rocks, as do Aragonés, Spy vs. Spy, Tom Bunk, "The Potrzbebie of Fear."

So, in my recommendation of the Potrzbebie of Fear."

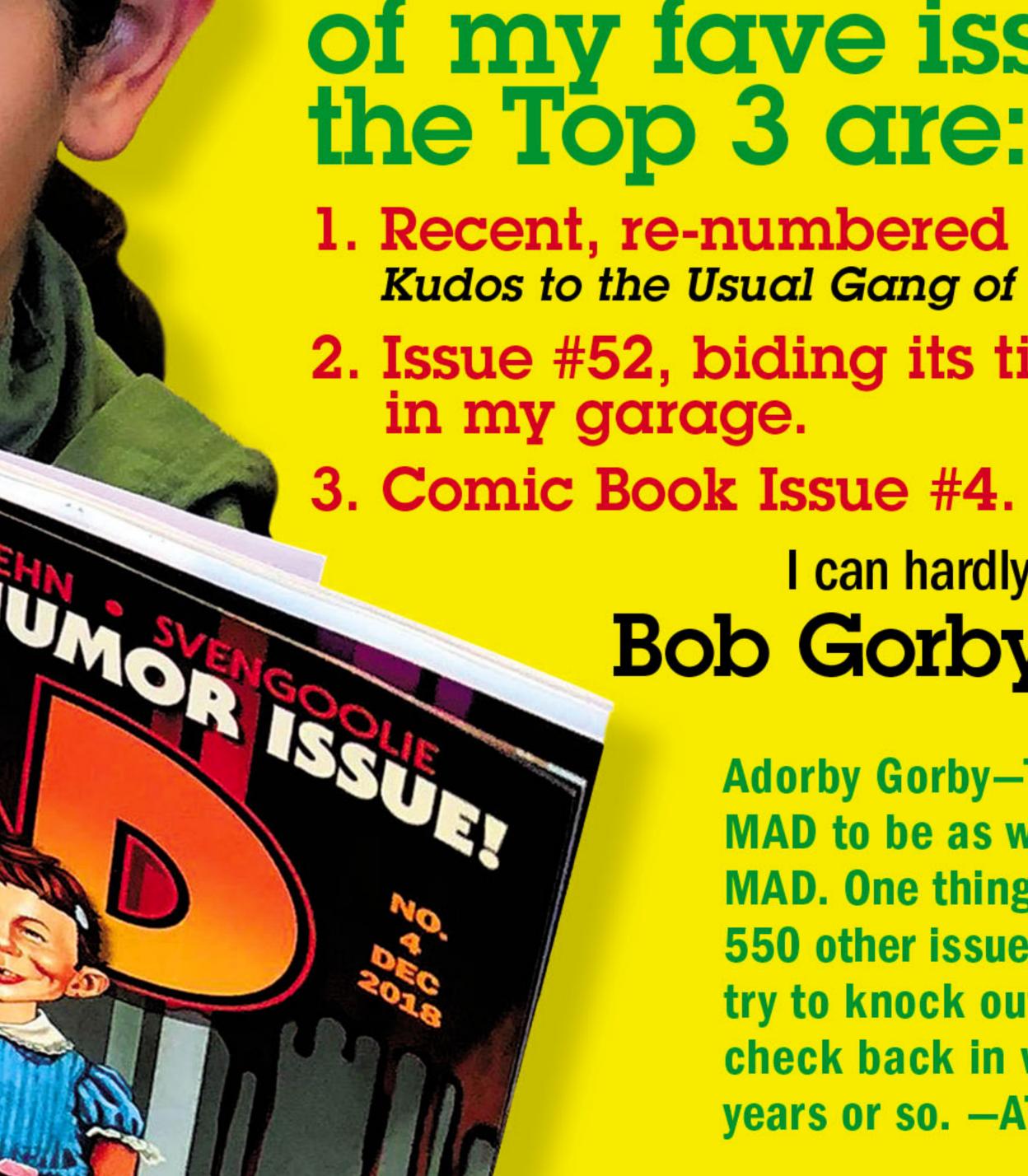
of my fave issues of MAD,

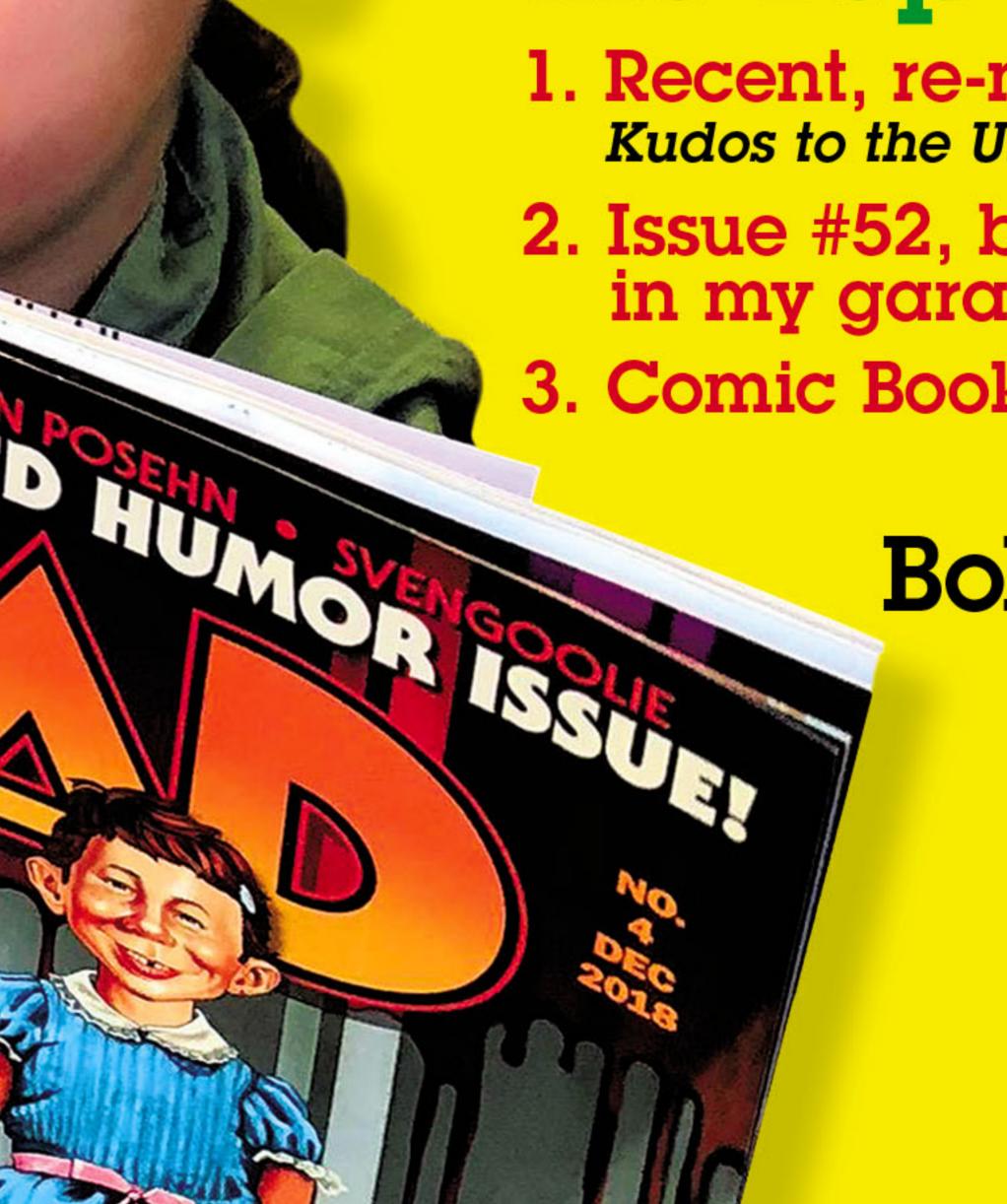
the Top 3 are:

- 1. Recent, re-numbered Issue #4 Kudos to the Usual Gang of Idiots!
- 2. Issue #52, biding its time in my garage.

I can hardly wait until y'all surpass Neo-# 4. Bob Gorby Santa Ana, CA

Adorby Gorby—Thank you for validating the new MAD to be as worthy of your Top 3 list as the old MAD. One thing, though: you know there are over 550 other issues that need ranking, right? Please try to knock out a proper, complete ranking and check back in with us sometime in the next 62 years or so. —AT





Hellooo! Just wanted to say that I have been a fan of MAD Magazine (Who me?) for many, many years, ever since I was a preteen when my brother (eight years older) introduced it to me. I may not have understood all of the satire, but I loved to read it. This went on for years until I met my future husband who also liked MAD Magazine (definitely a good trait in a mate). Children and jobs began to cut into adult reading, but I would pick up a magazine at times. Rediscovered MAD again recently, but for some reason it is different now, not sure why though (me older and wiser?). However, I have to compliment you on the article in the recent December 2018 issue—"The Ghastlygun Tinies."

It was very emotional for me to read and I almost cried as I read it more than one time.

thought it was sadly too true to life. Thank you for including it in your magazine this time.

Fifty-plus-years fan, Misty Martha-Get the heck outta town, you're making us blush! We are certainly humbled by the response to "The Ghastlygun Tinies," which continued the MAD tradition of confronting society's ills honestly (even if it means going four pages without a single joke). Parody can be used in many ways, and Matt Cohen and Marc Palm's remarkable approach to such an ugly subject was one we were eager to share with our readers. —AT

Deviette, Tro.

Thanks to

of Olivette, MO, for this strikingly realistic rendition of Individual 1. Well, the devil horns haven't completely grown in yet, but sometimes they need a full term to reach maturity. Eugene tells us that he's been an artist for over 50 years! Wow! That's almost as long as our president has been a slumlord! —AT



2020 VISION

Don't make me do it

I have read every issue since January 1966 and own all the earlier issues, including the comic book issues, except for five. I have been trying since I was a much younger kid to get my letter in your rag. If you don't print my letter I will vote for Trump in 2020. If he wins by one vote it will be your fault.

COLUMBIA HEIGHTS, MN

Manipulative Mat the Bratt—We need proof! When you vote, snap a pic of your ballot and send it our way. Doing so is illegal and will invalidate your vote, so we'll be off the hook! Genius! -AT

DRUNK AND ORDERLY

After much consideration (and a few beers), have raised your magazine to position 4 on my monthly perusal list. It is as follows: 1. Money (obviously), 2.Smithsonian (pretend to be smart), 3.Time (got it cheap), 4.MAD (up from 5), and last 5.Reader's Digest (down from 4). No thank you is expected.

Jim Lanctot, via email

Lanky Tot—Whoa! Take that, Reader's Digest and their hoity-toity poetry contests (we assume they have poetry contests)! But seriously, Jim, how many beers will it take to get us to the top of your list? Make sure that the next time you update this list you're in full-on party mode, THEN let us know how we fare! —AT



WRITER CHRIS STEPHENS ARTIST PAUL HORNSCHEMEIER

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Dear MAD.

Each day we receive dozens of letters ranging from "barely legible" to

"we should report this to the proper authorities." And though most are

doomed to be fed into the MAD intern's shredder, occasionally we stumble

upon a perfect candidate for...

I'm looking to buy ad space within your magazine. I understand that you don't normally run ads, but I think that once you learn a little more about me and my product you'll immediately change your tune. My name is Bowen Darling and I am the CEO of Two Dogs Boning Beer.

Our small, dedicated staff works day and night to brew the finest beer you've ever tasted. And then, when it's finally met our impossibly high standards, we pour the beer into bottles that have a picture of two dogs having sex on them and ship them to our thirsty customers

Let me tell you: no matter how perfect you think your product is, when it's released into the world, people will quickly find the one problem with it that you didn't even realize was there. Heck, I remember when Dippin' Dots first came out and everyone said, "Well, I see the dots, but where's the dip?!" All of our negative feedback was about one thing in particular: our logo,

So I looked at the logo and thought, "How could I have been so stupid?" There were several changes I needed to make, and I needed to make them fast.

First things first: change the breed of the two dogs that are having sex. The original dogs in the logo were beagles, which—let's face it—are old news. Now it's a pair of 2019's most

Secondly, the logo didn't change color based on the temperature of the beer! This was just unacceptable. With our new labels, when the beer reaches 90 degrees (the average temperature of a dog while it's having sex), the dogs on the logo will turn bright red. That way, the customer knows when their beer is way, way too hot.

Lastly, I reflected on how this whole thing began: as a family company. I could think of no better way to remind people of that than to put a man on the logo, pointing at the dogs and

I've enclosed a picture of Two Dogs Boning Beer's new, perfected logo, and would love nothing more than to see it debut within the confines of your magazine. I truly believe that with your help, we could make "toss me a cold Two Dogs Boning" a household phrase.



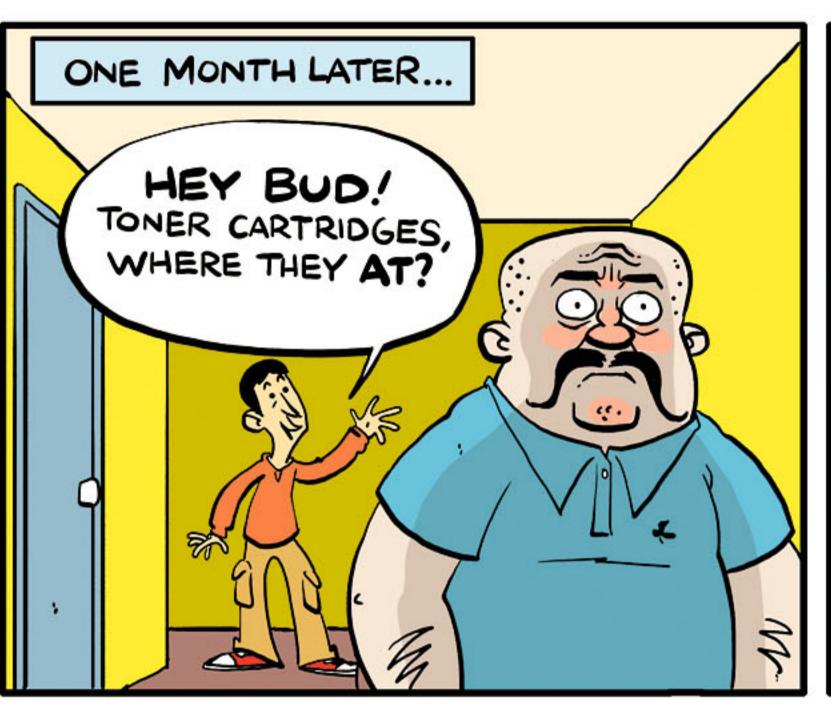
Sometimes it's not enough for us to have your fan mail—we also want your SOUL. Well, we finally figured out a way to take that from you: Just send us a true story about something STUPID you actually did, and acclaimed cartoonist **Mike Holmes** might make it into a comic strip! It's...

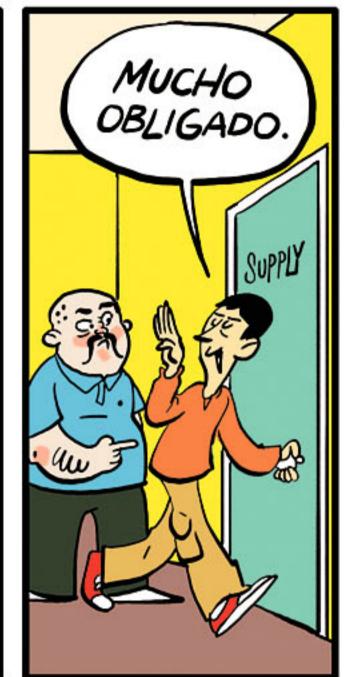
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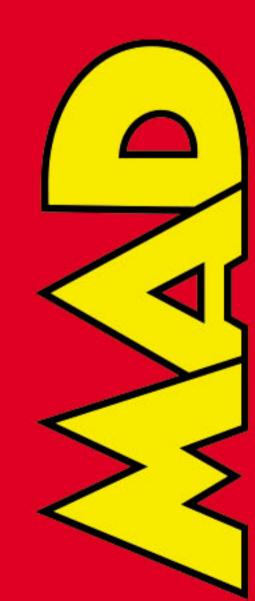


This issue's story submitted by Robbie Papenfus.

Have a real, dumb story that happened to you? Want to share your shame with the world by having it illustrated in MAD? Write it up and send it to realdumb@madmagazine.com! If it's dumb enough, we'll make it into a comic!

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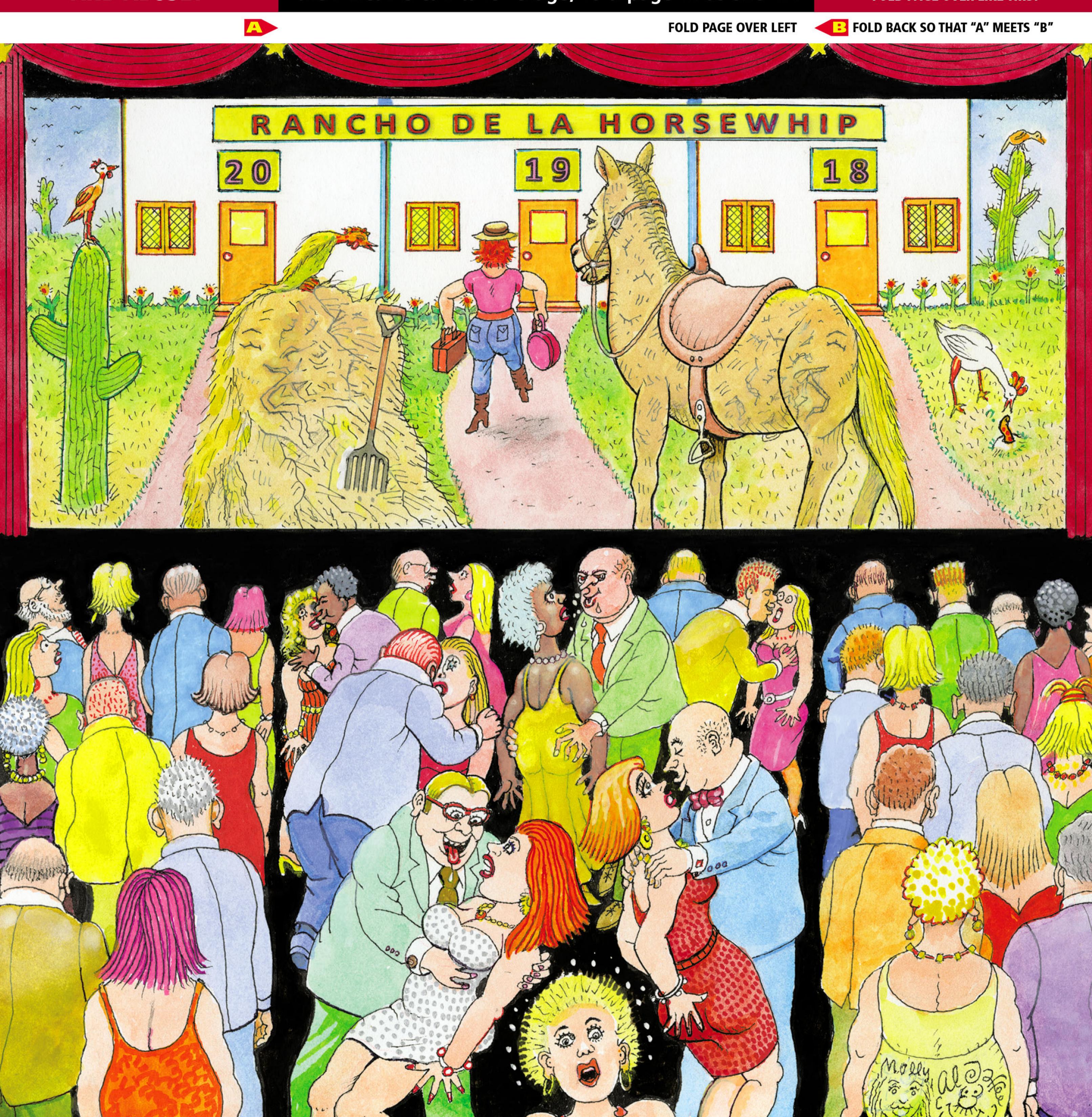
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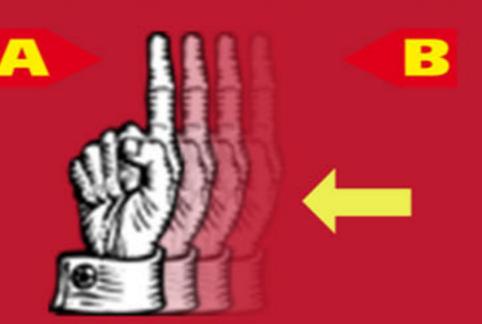


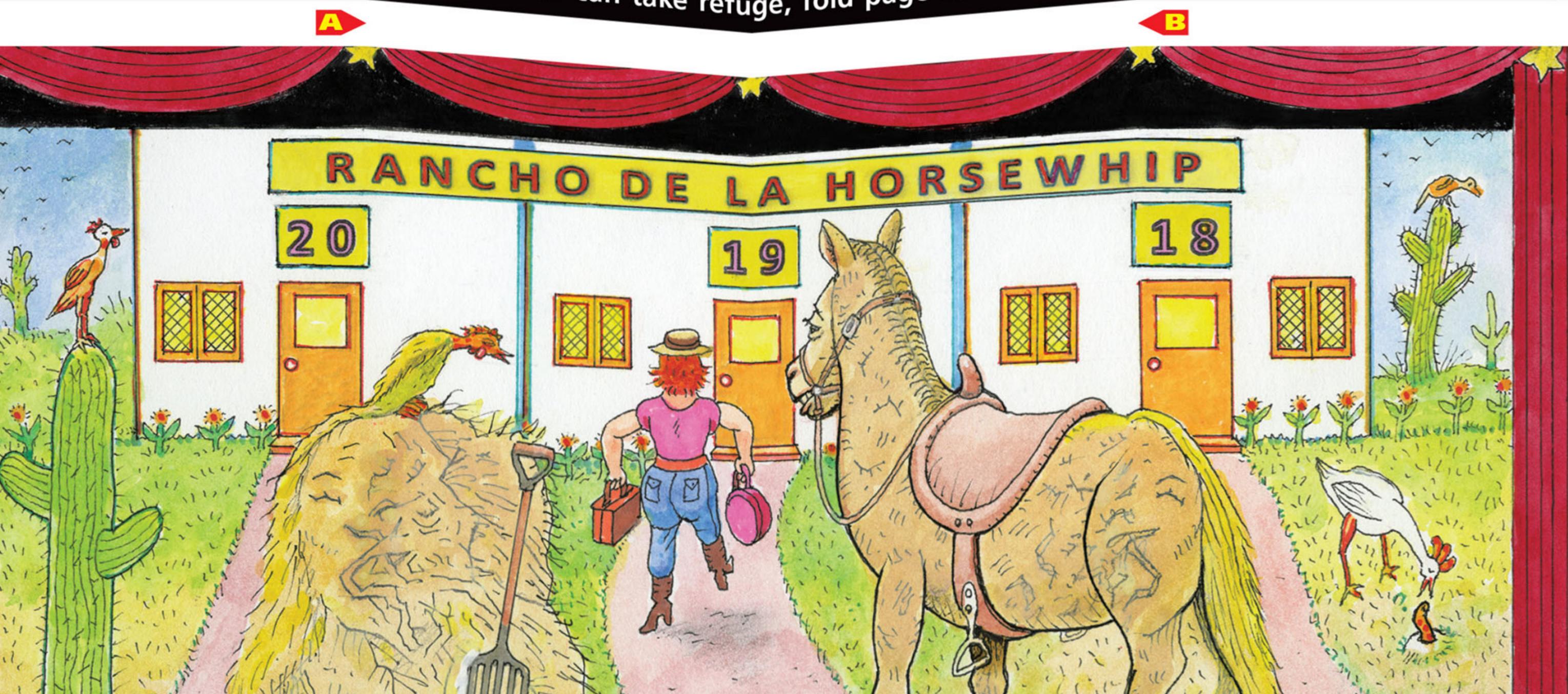
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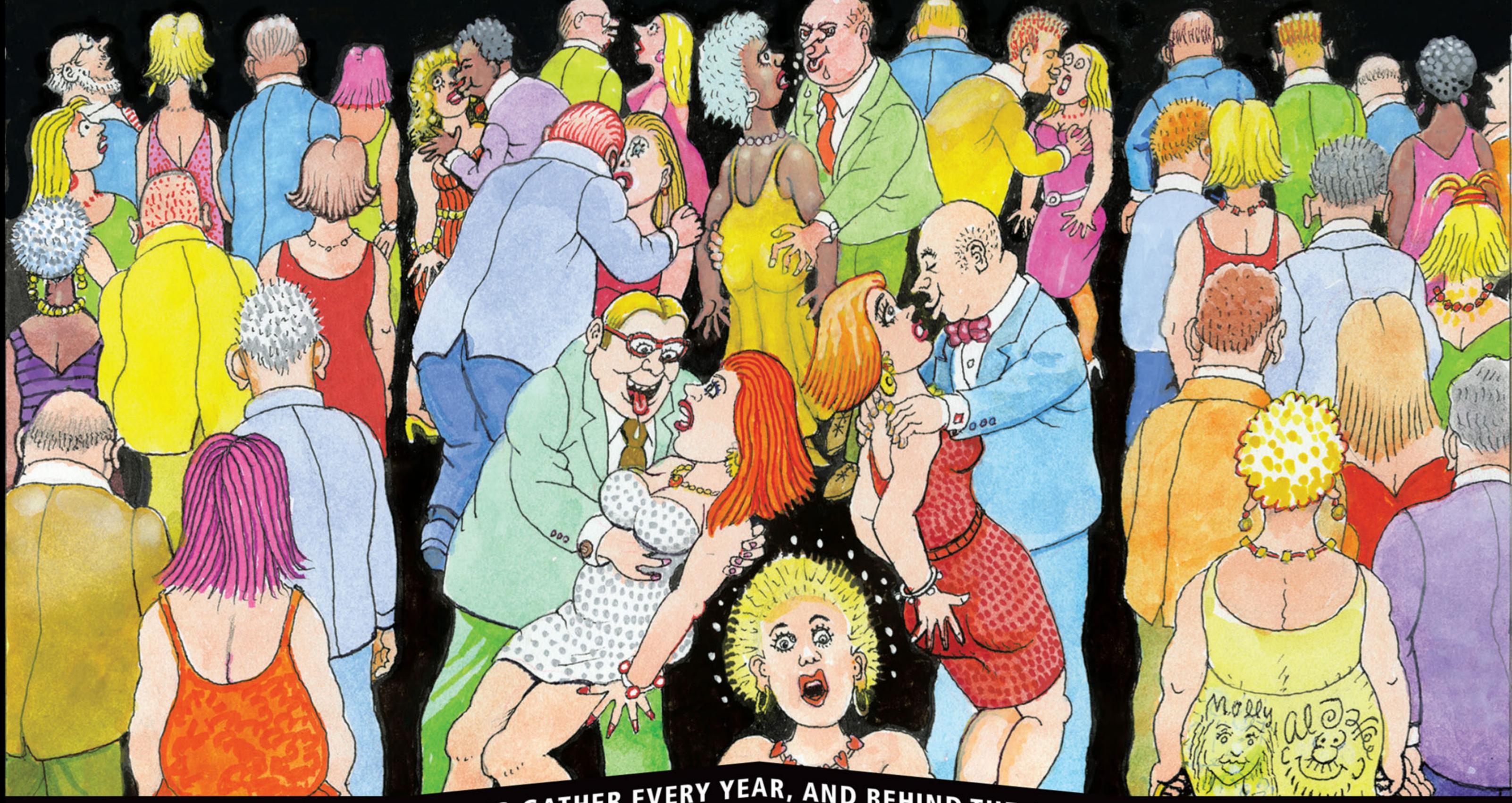


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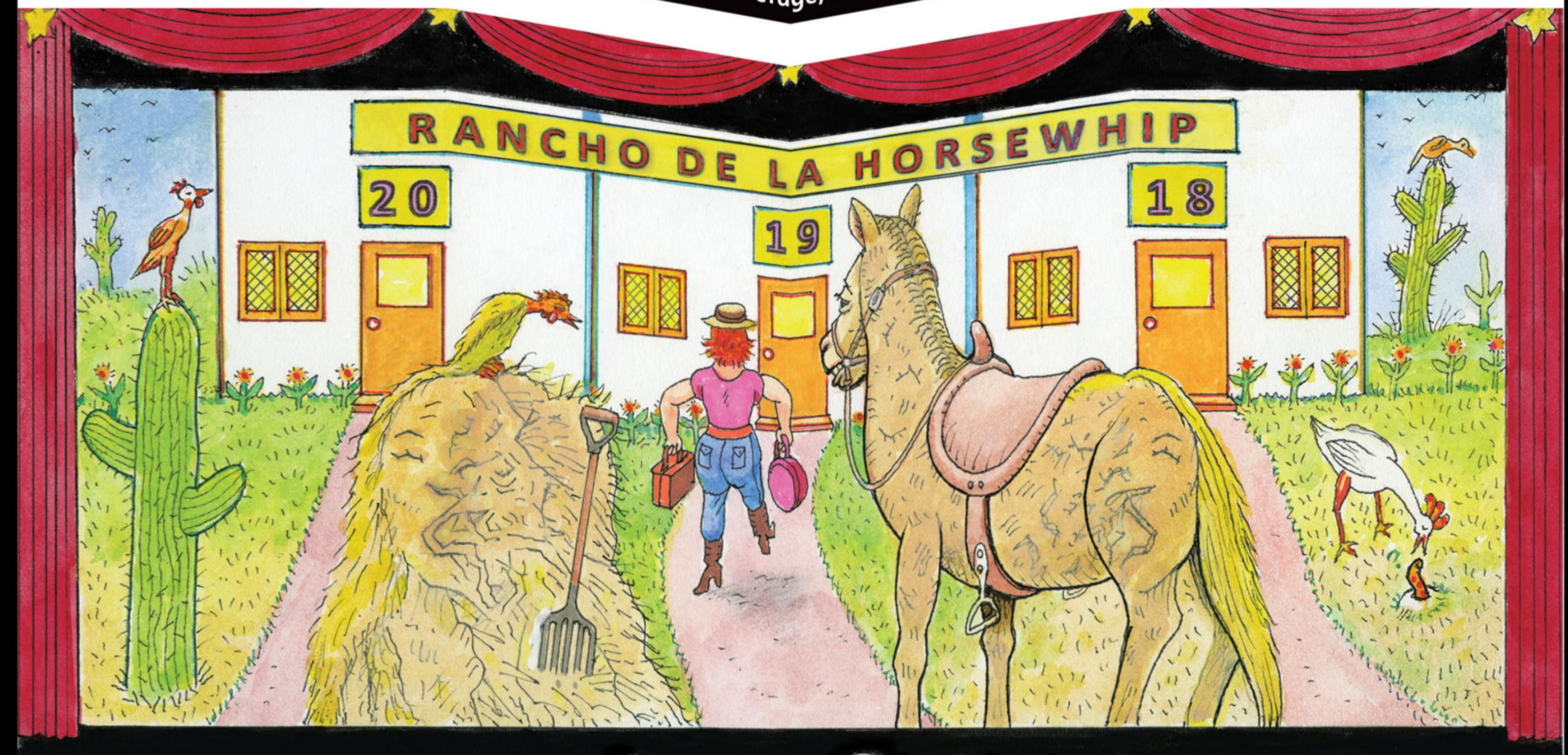


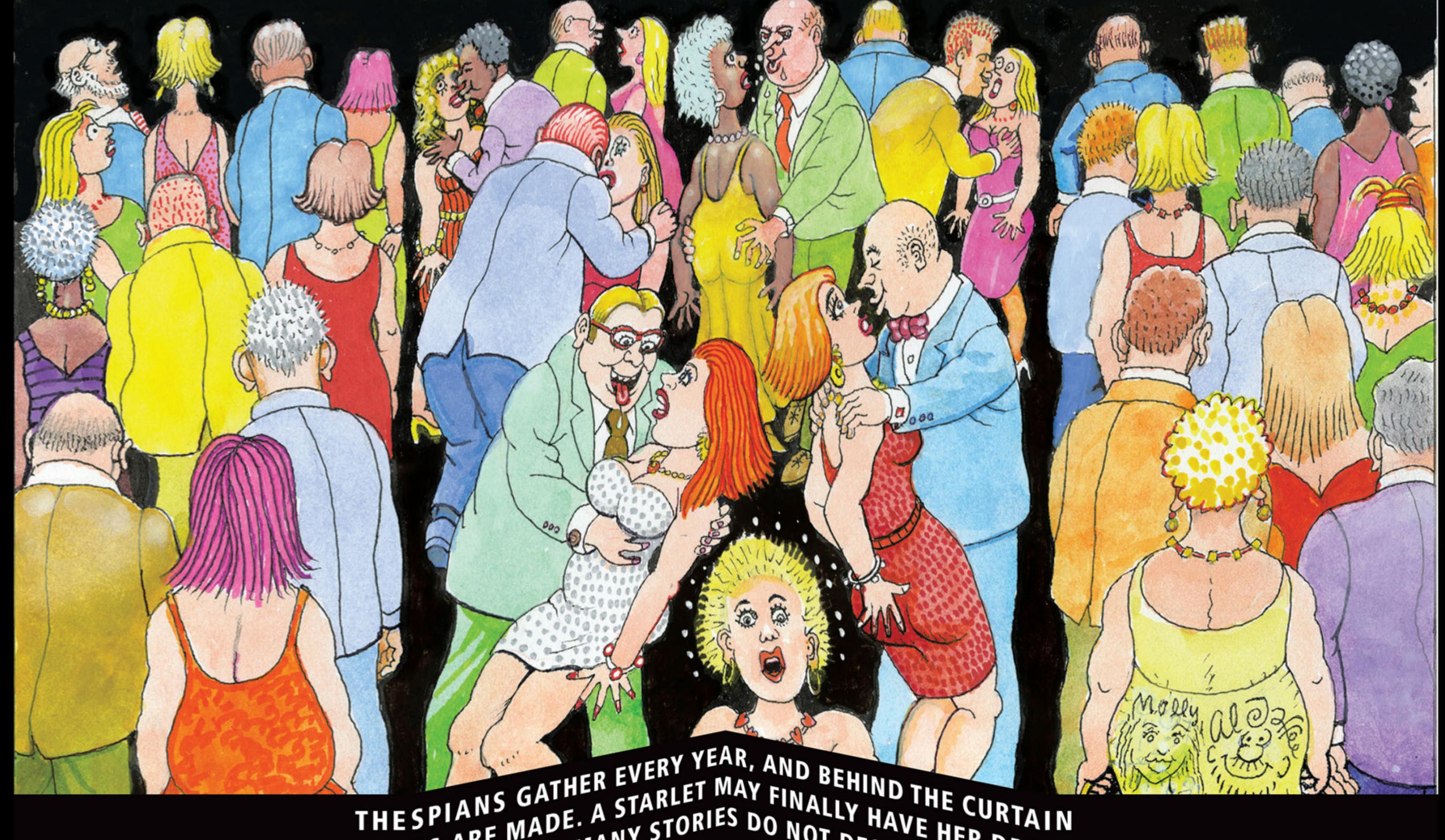


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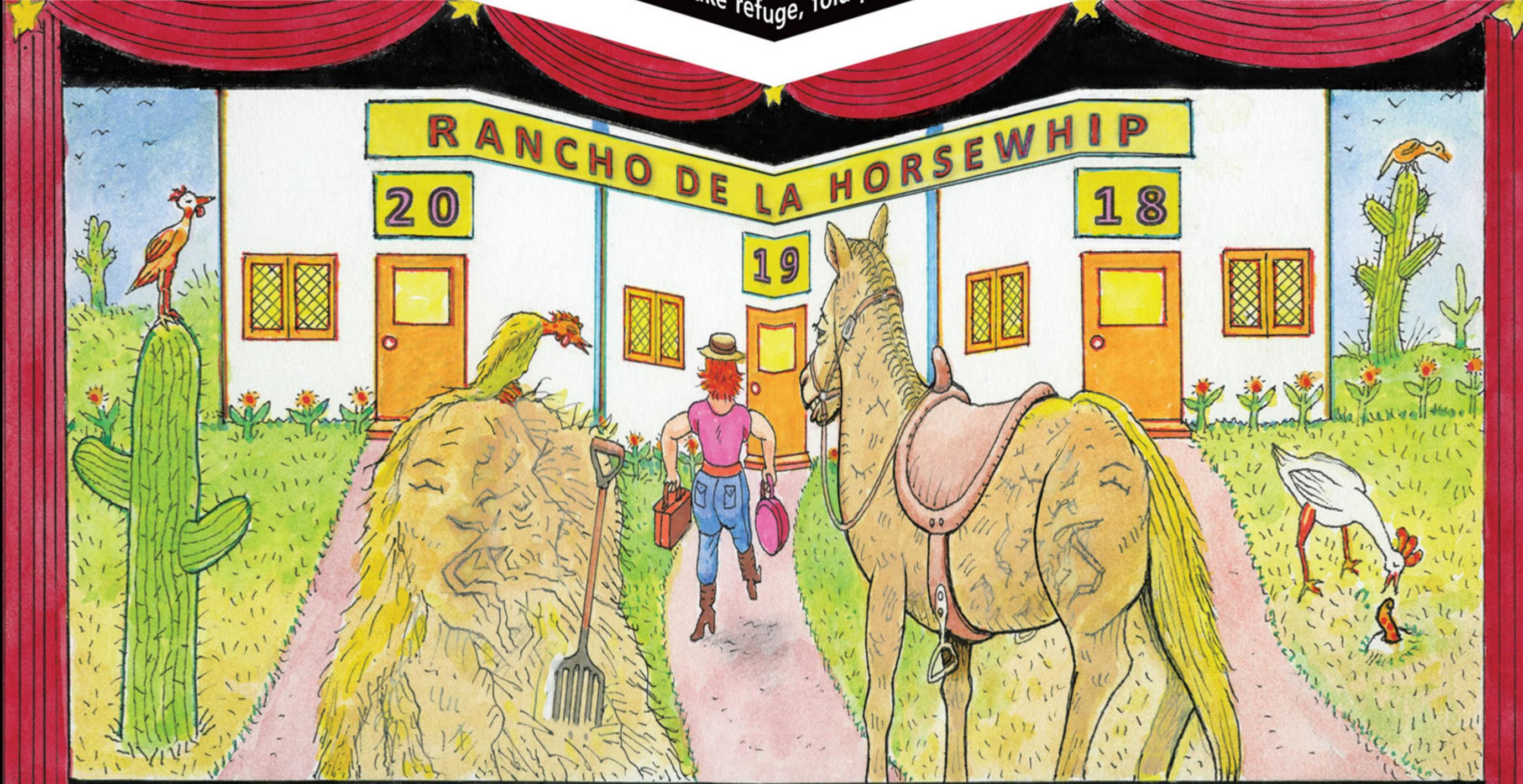


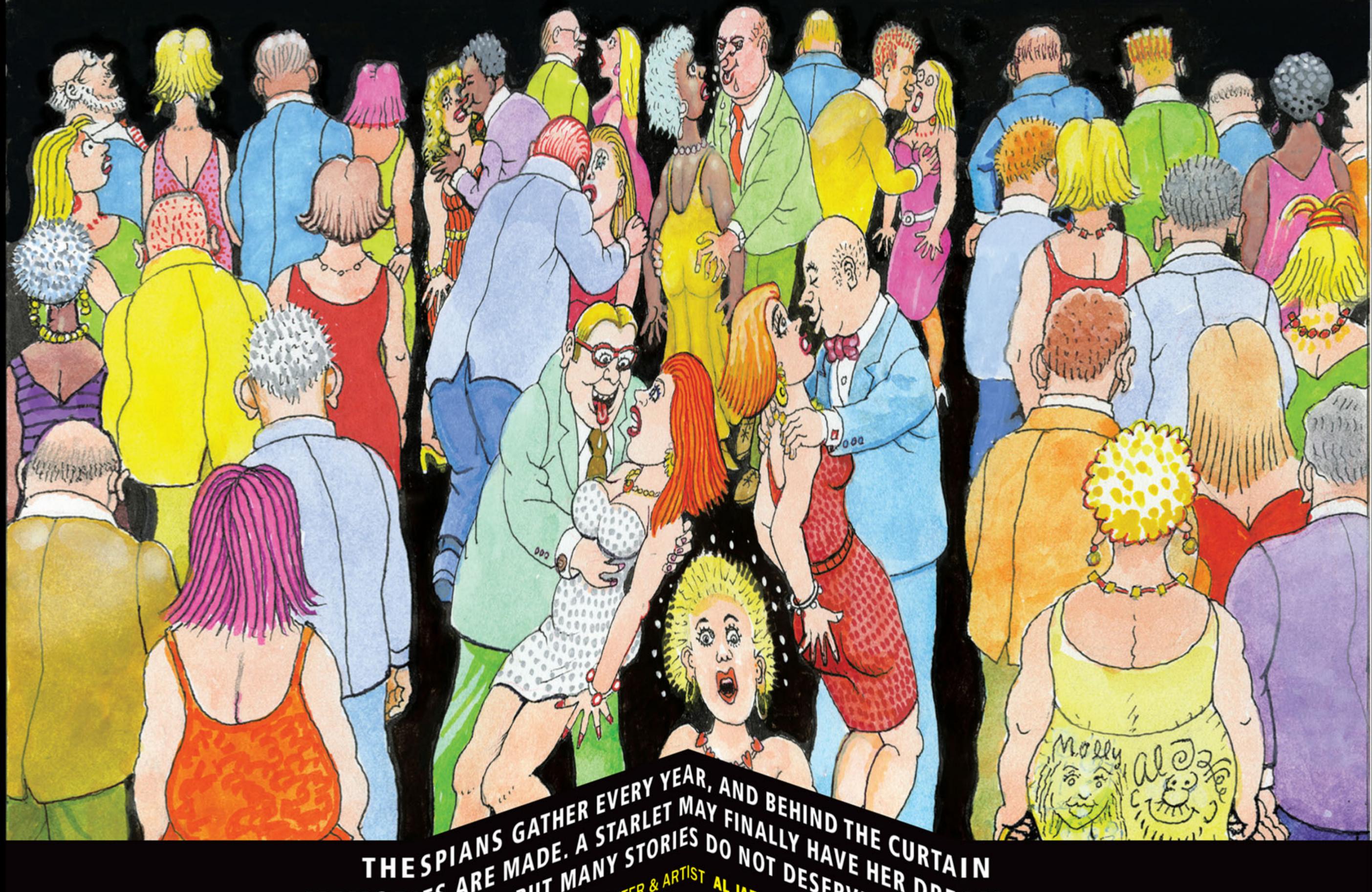


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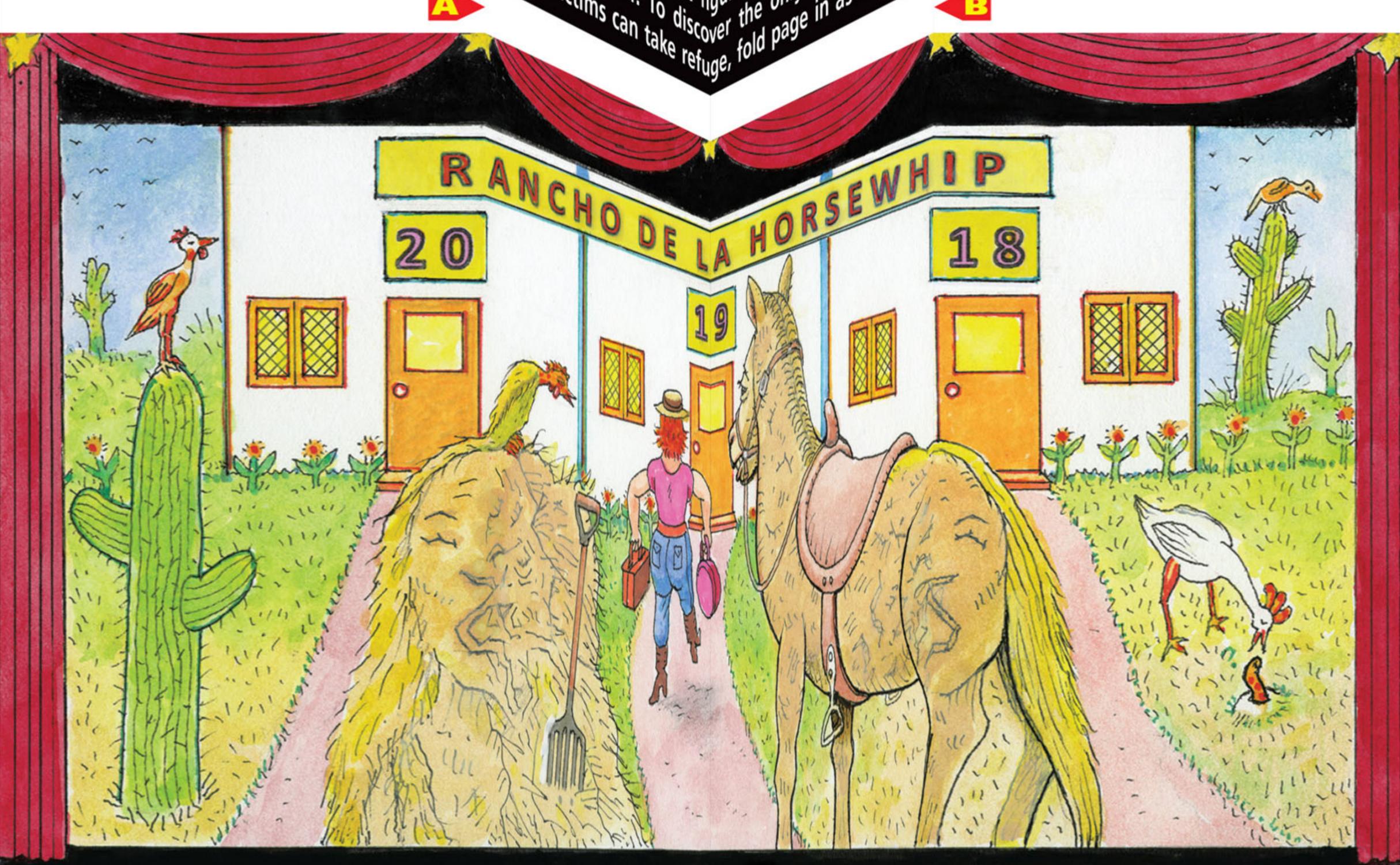
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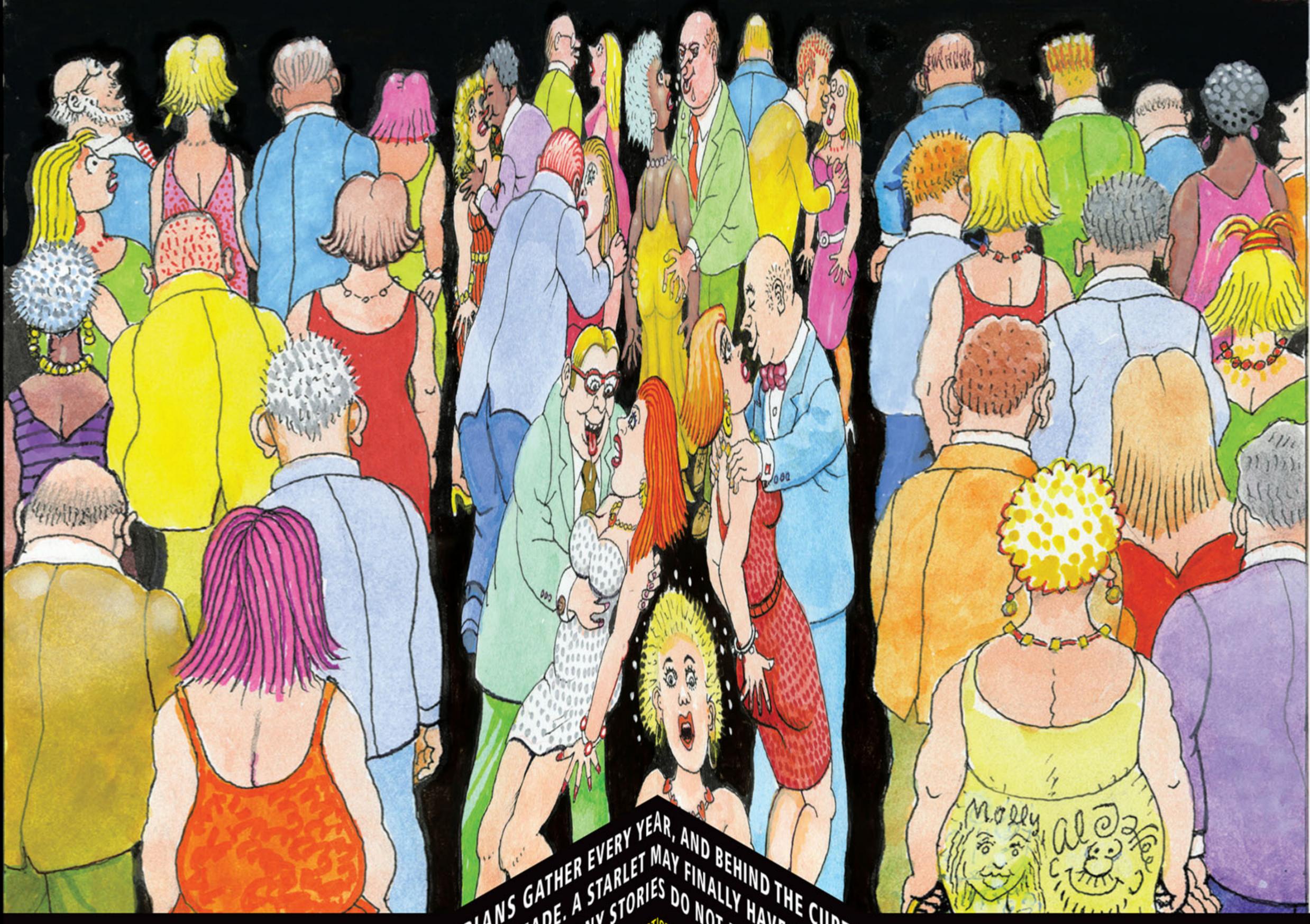
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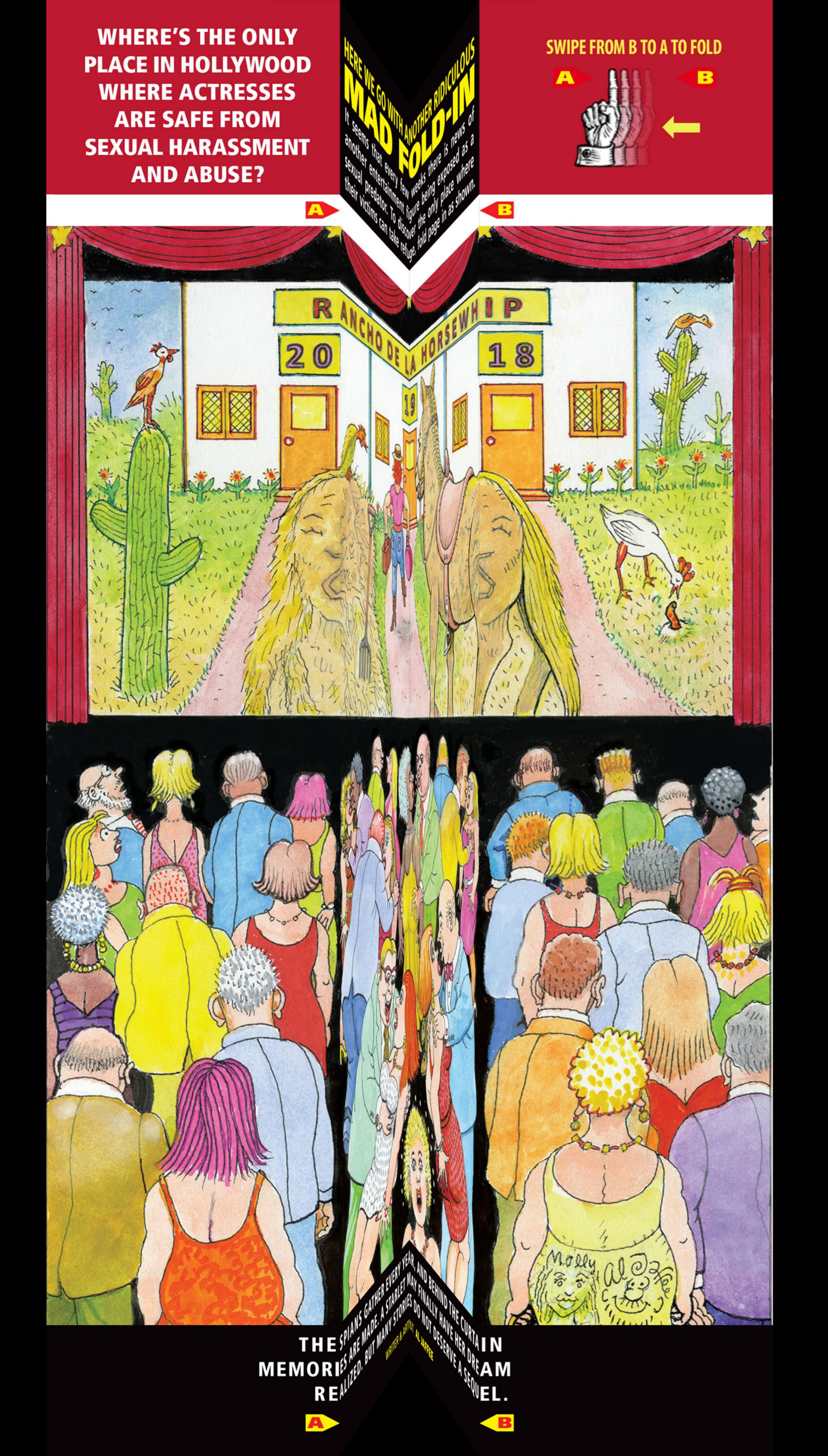




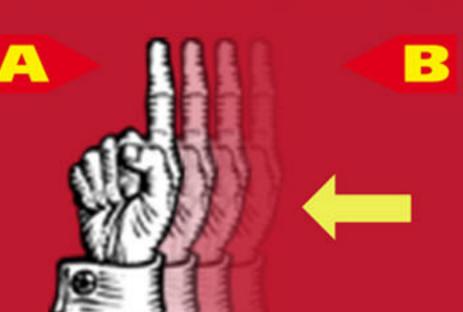
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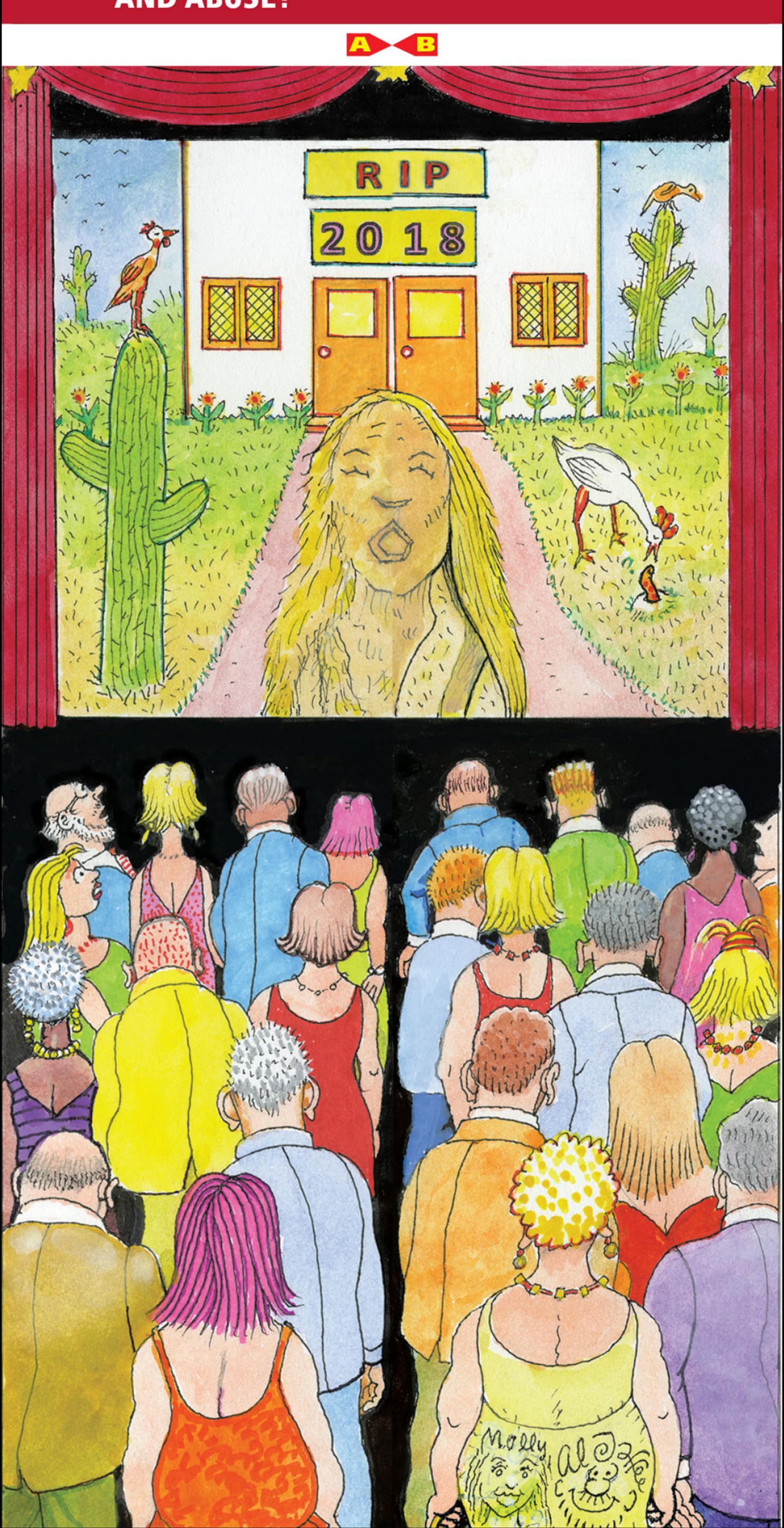












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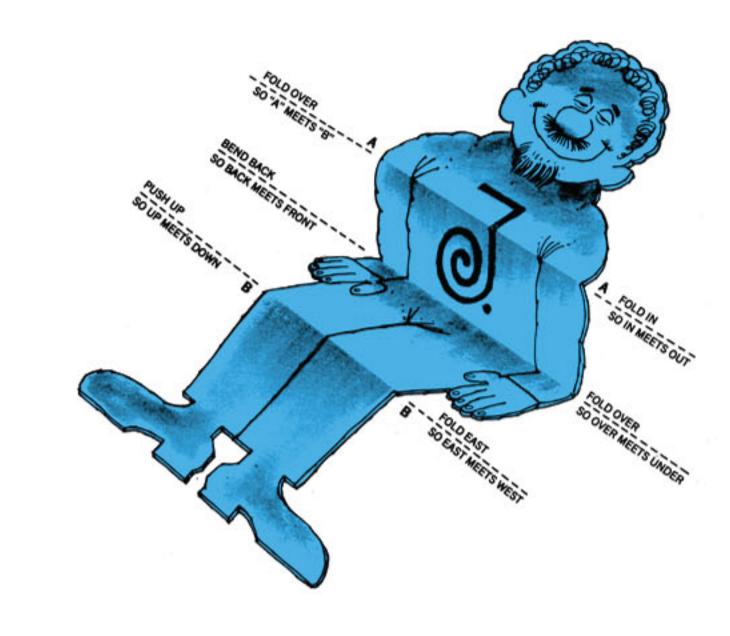


DIGITAL EDITION BONUS MATERIAL!

Going Gaga for this year's Best Picture noms? Try a classic from the MAD vault while we wait to see if the new "Star" bombs, too!



We're happy just to be nominated. Oh, wait. We weren't? Good thing we agree with this MAD Fold-In from Al Jaffee.

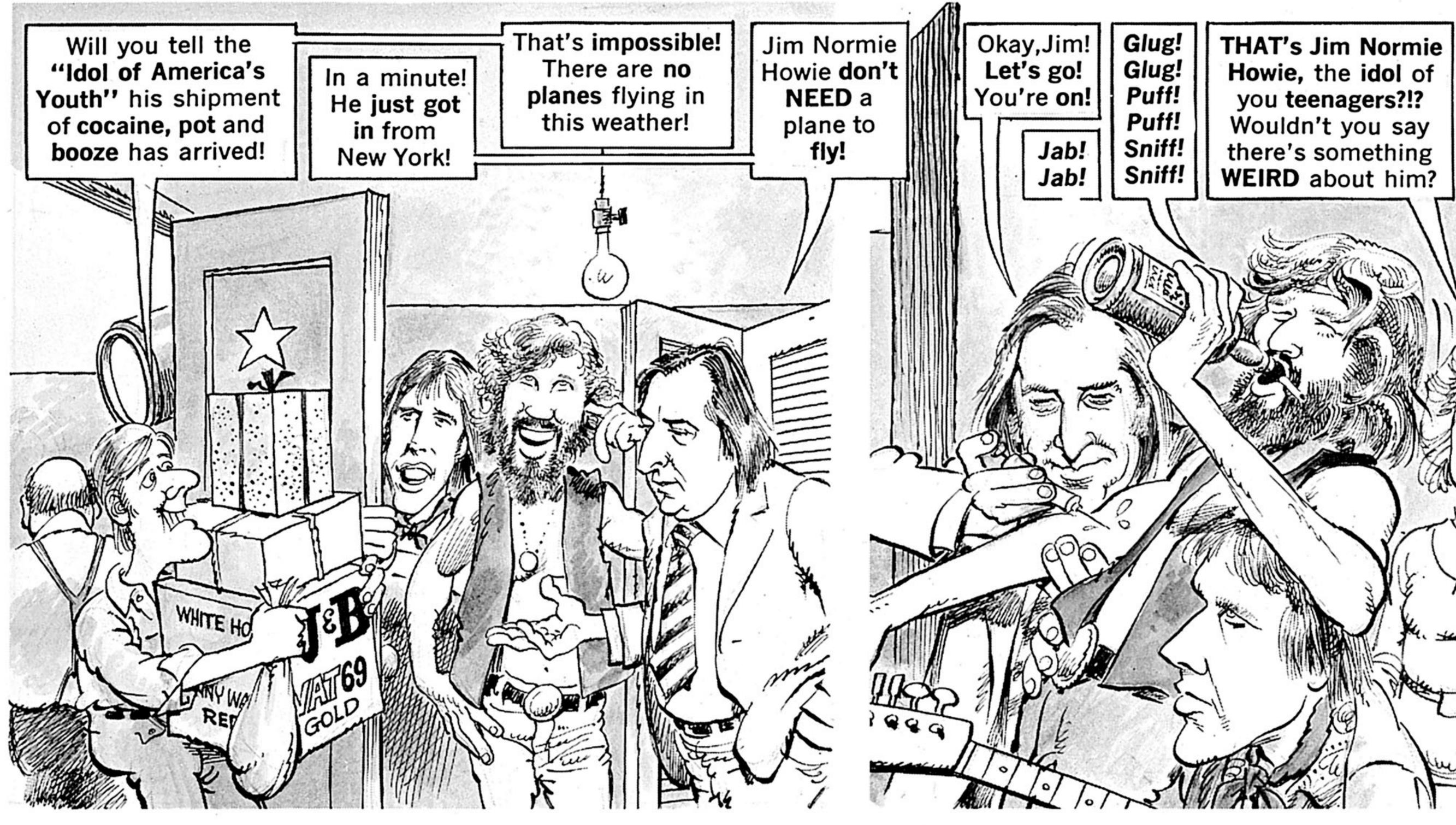


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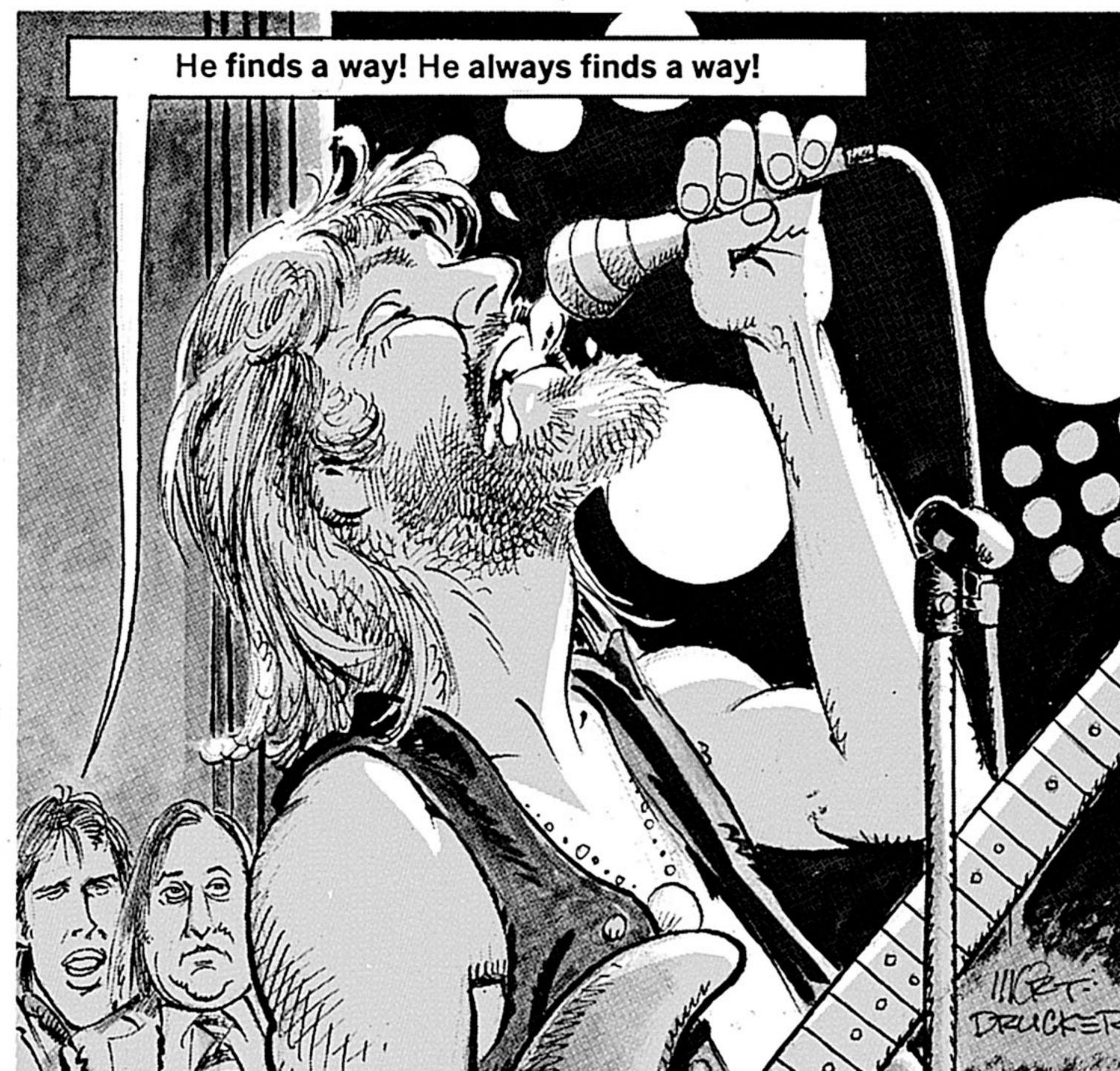
Forty years ago, Hollywood made a film about an unknown girl from a small town who comes to Hollywood and becomes a movie star. The film was a huge success. A few years later, they decided to make the same picture over... and again it was a hit. Now, they've made the picture for the third time, only it's not about an actress, but a singer; and the background isn't the movies, but the Rock Music scene. Well, you know how Hollywood works: Keep doing something until you get it wrong! Which is what they did! Yep, even with a Superstar like Barbra Streisand in full control of production, this new version clearly demonstrates once again that, most of the time, when a Superstar with a super ego attempts to step beyond her talent as a performer











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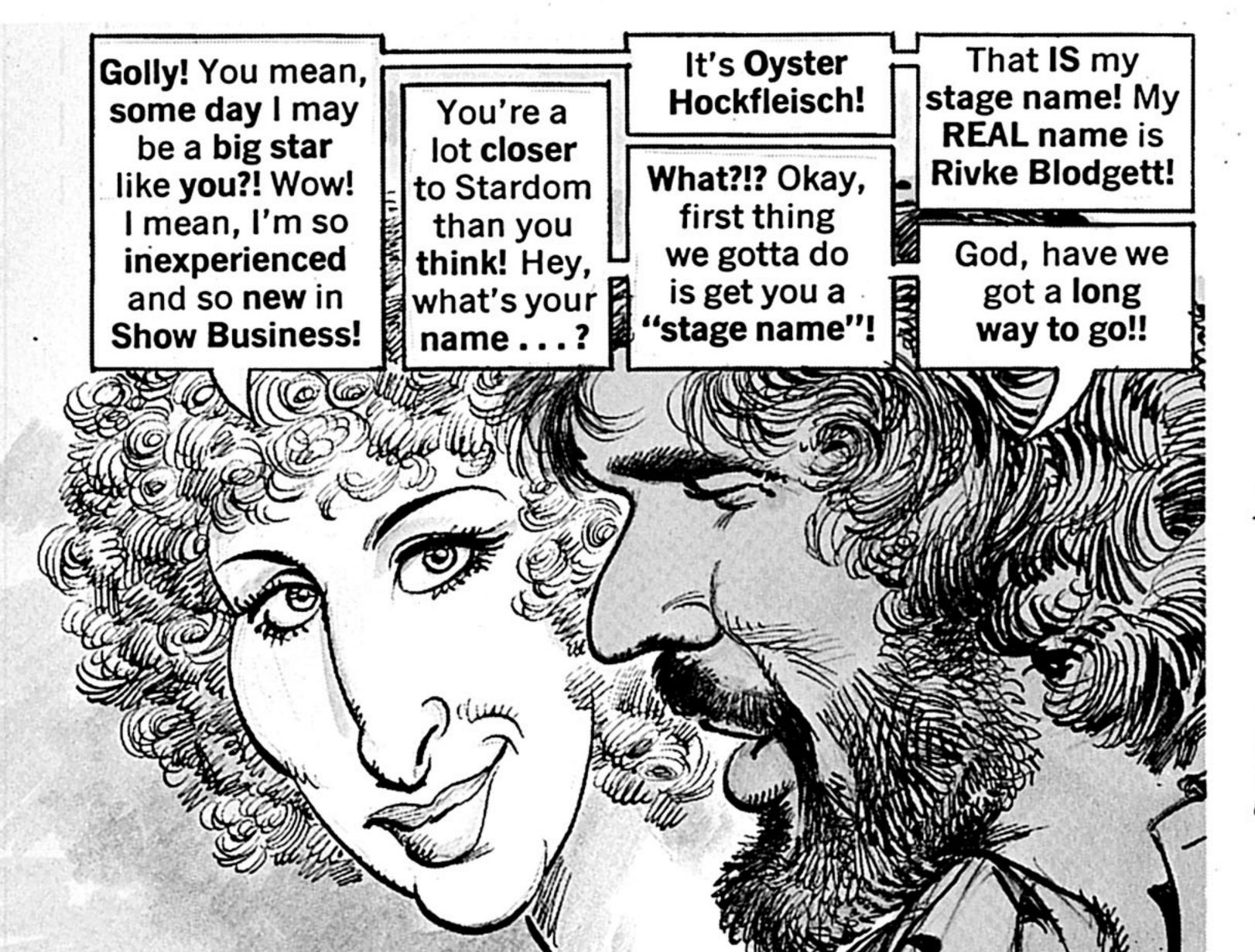


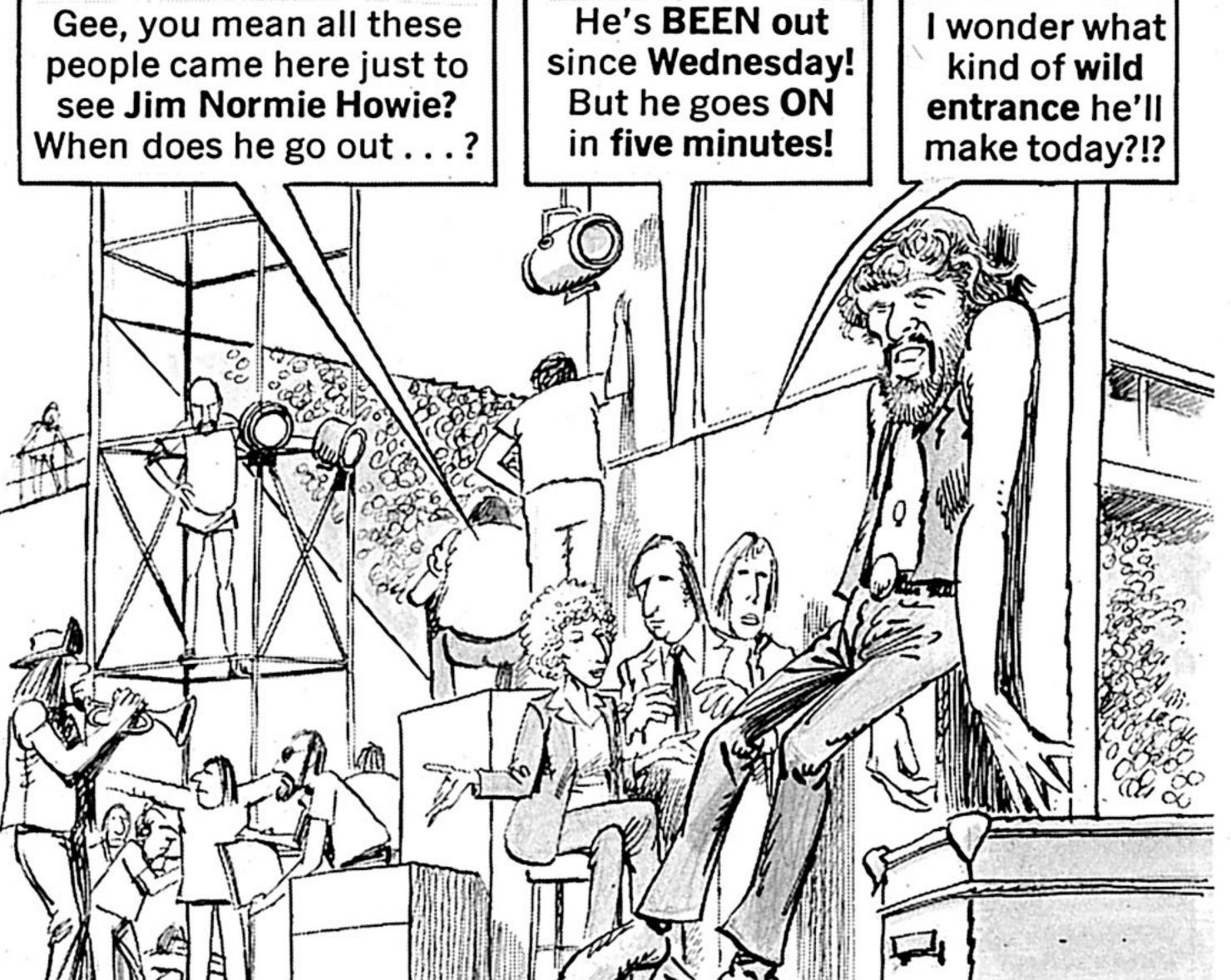






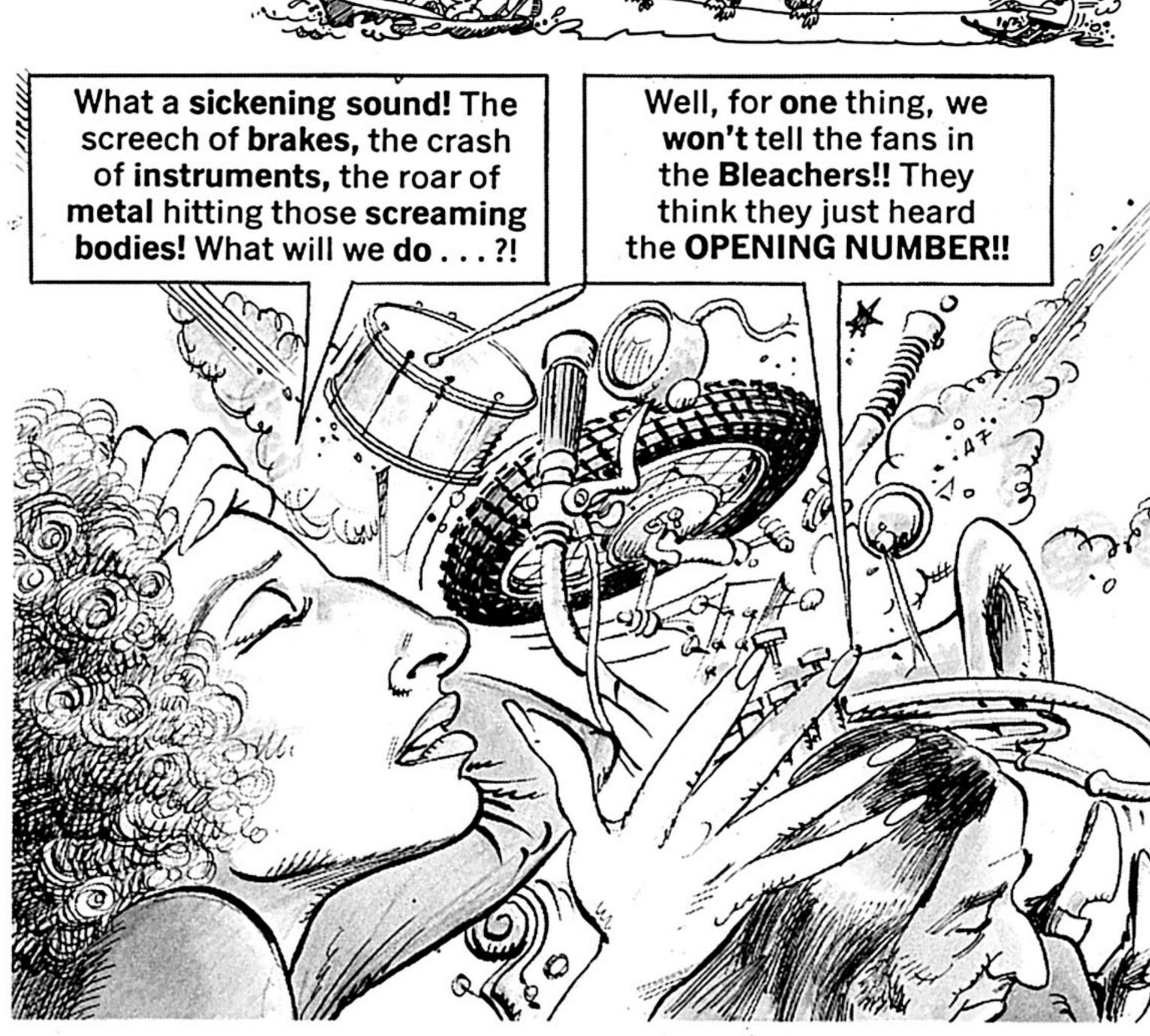


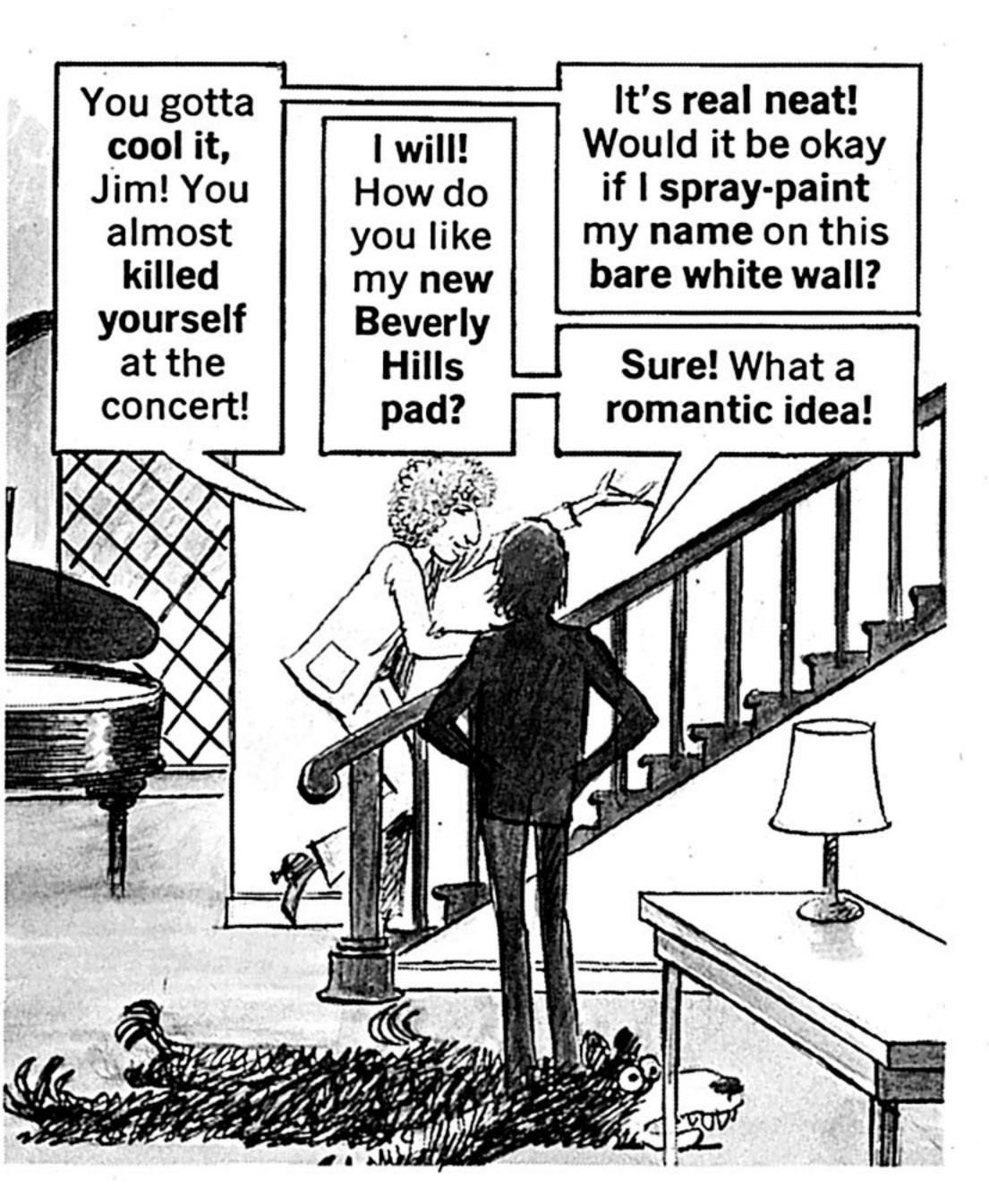


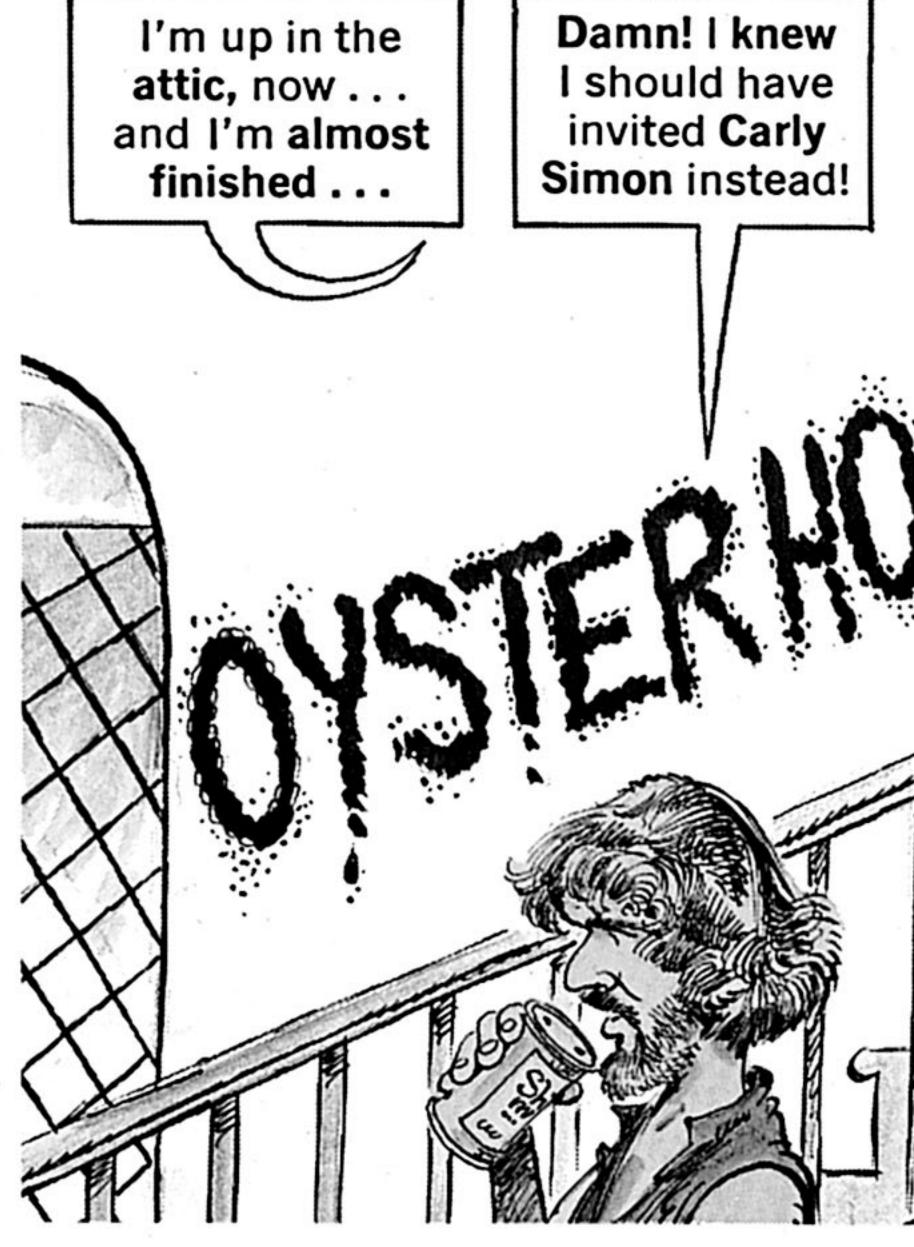


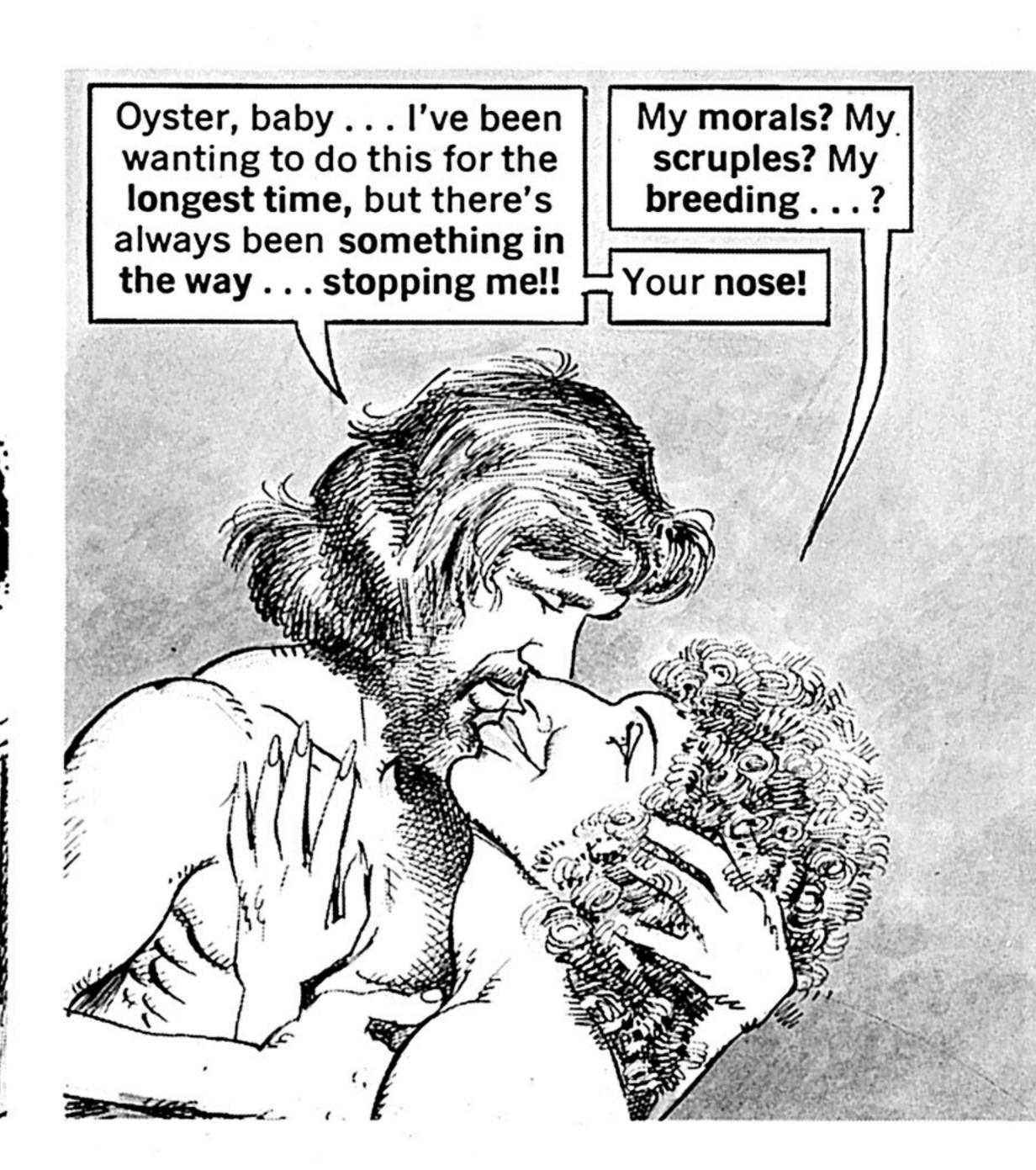




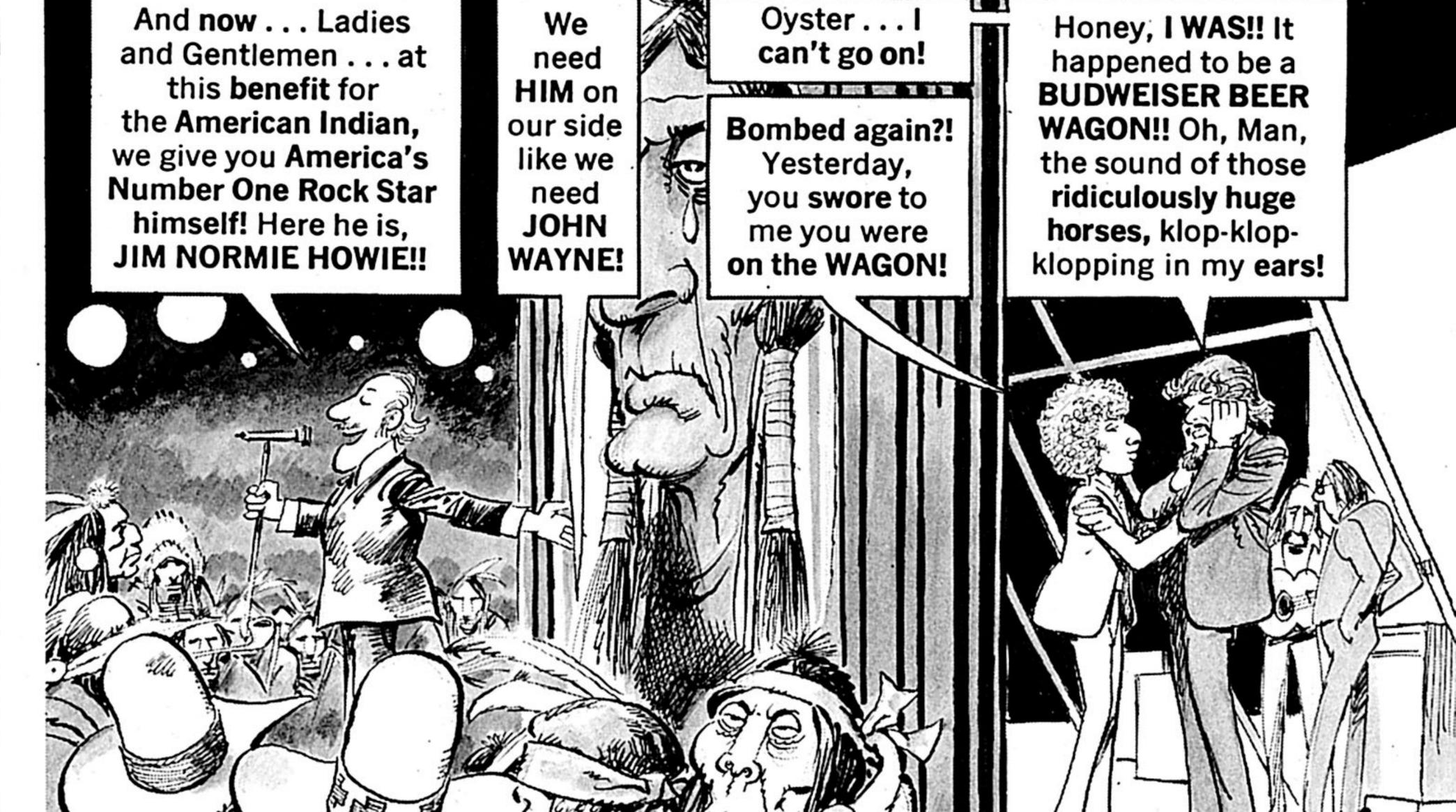


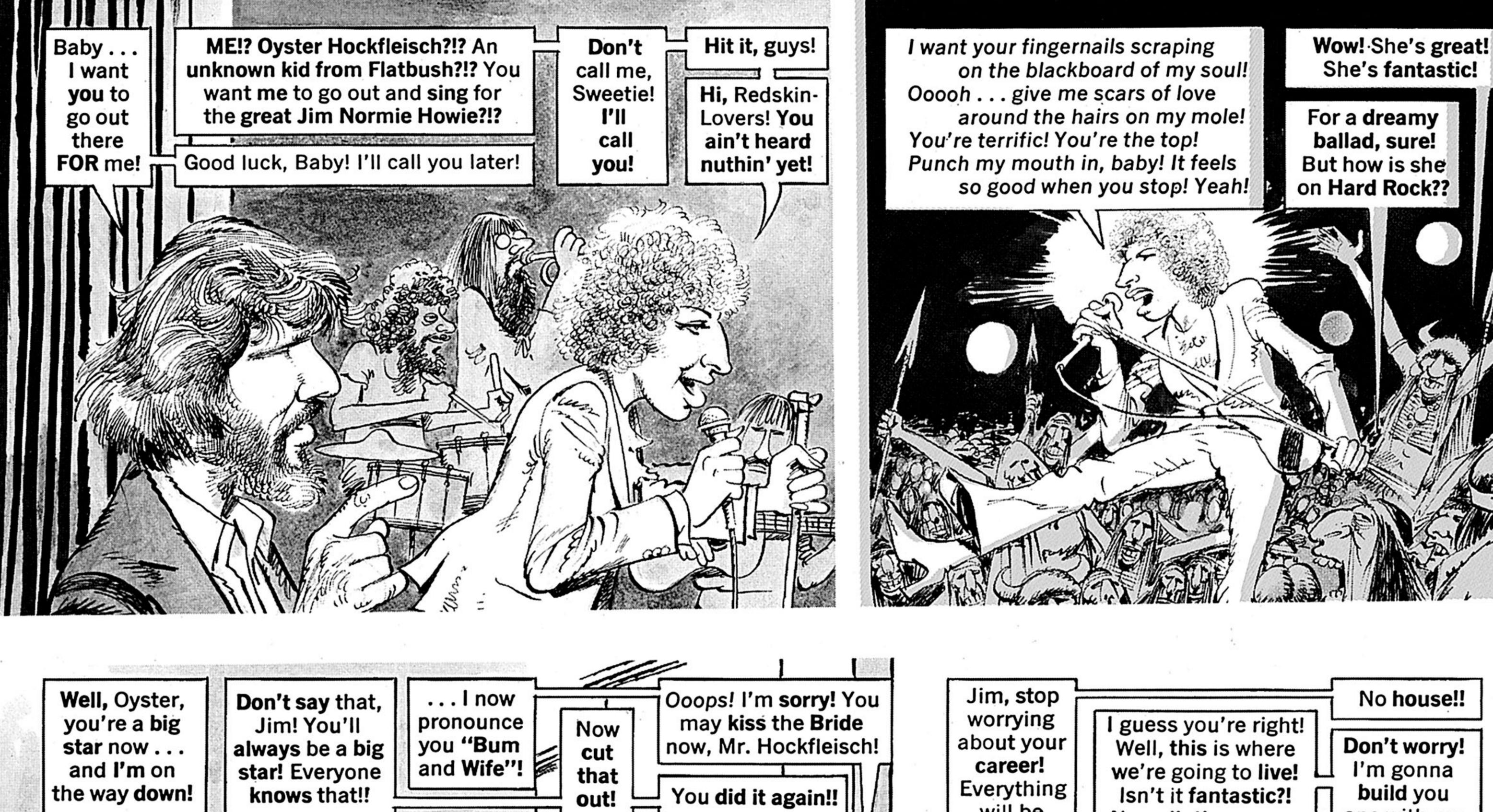




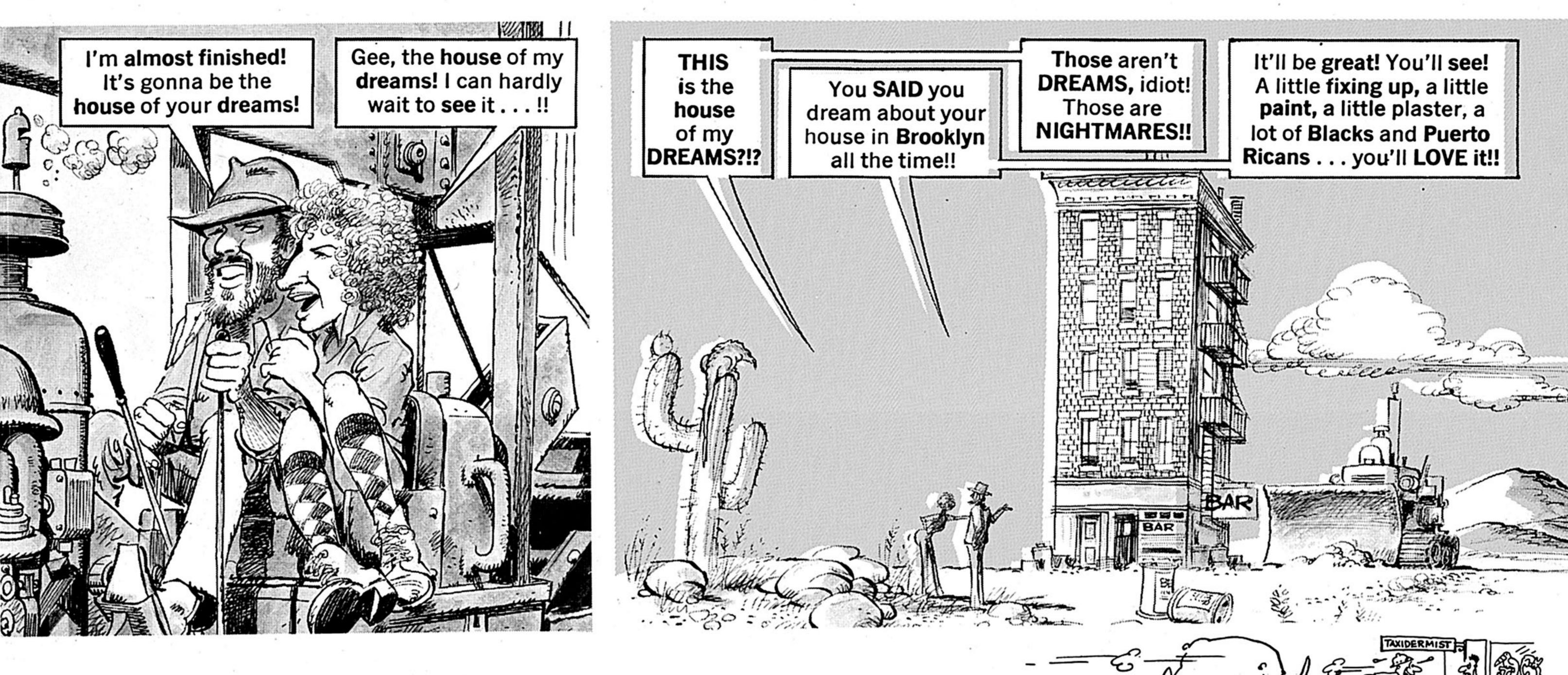




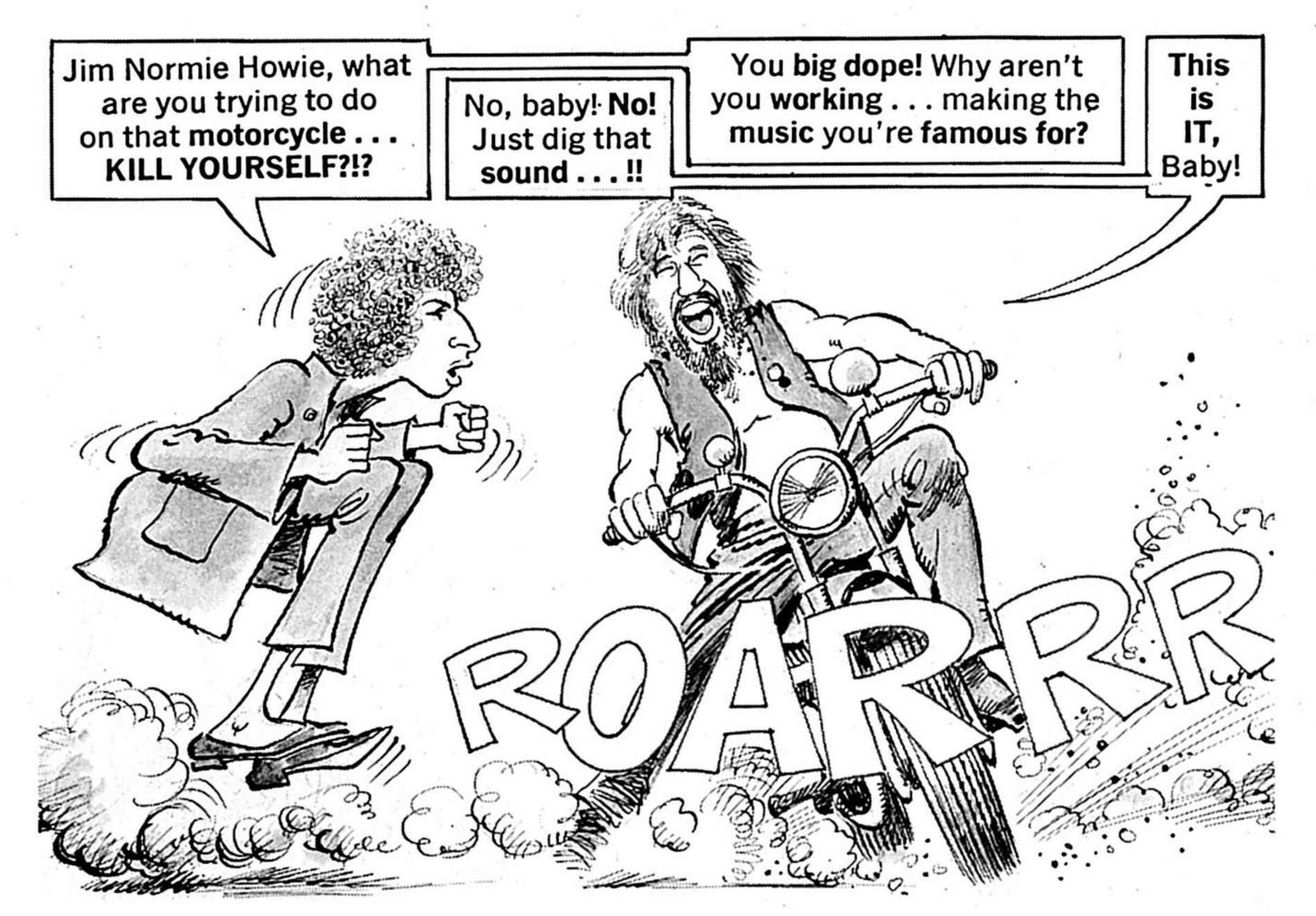


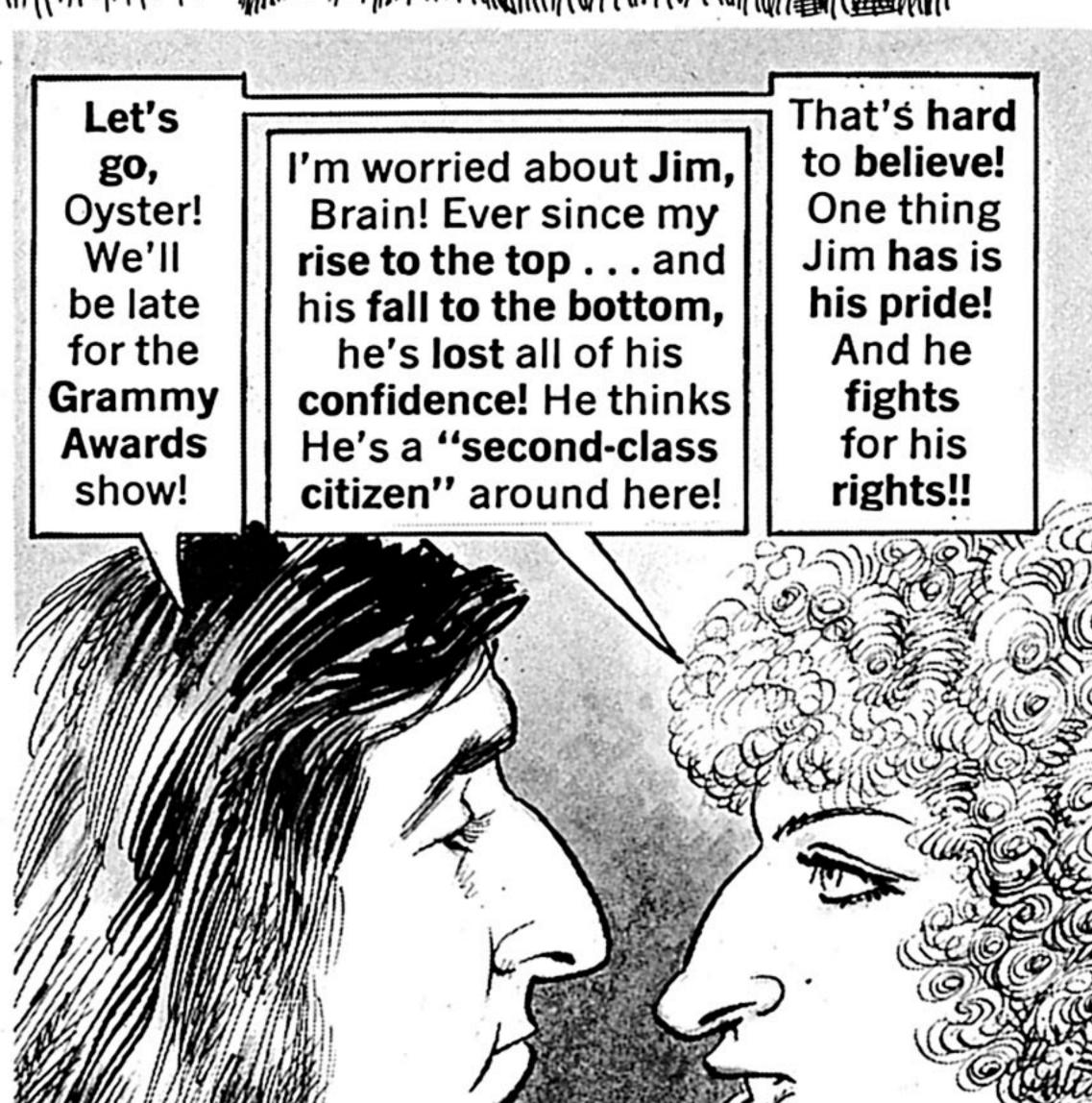


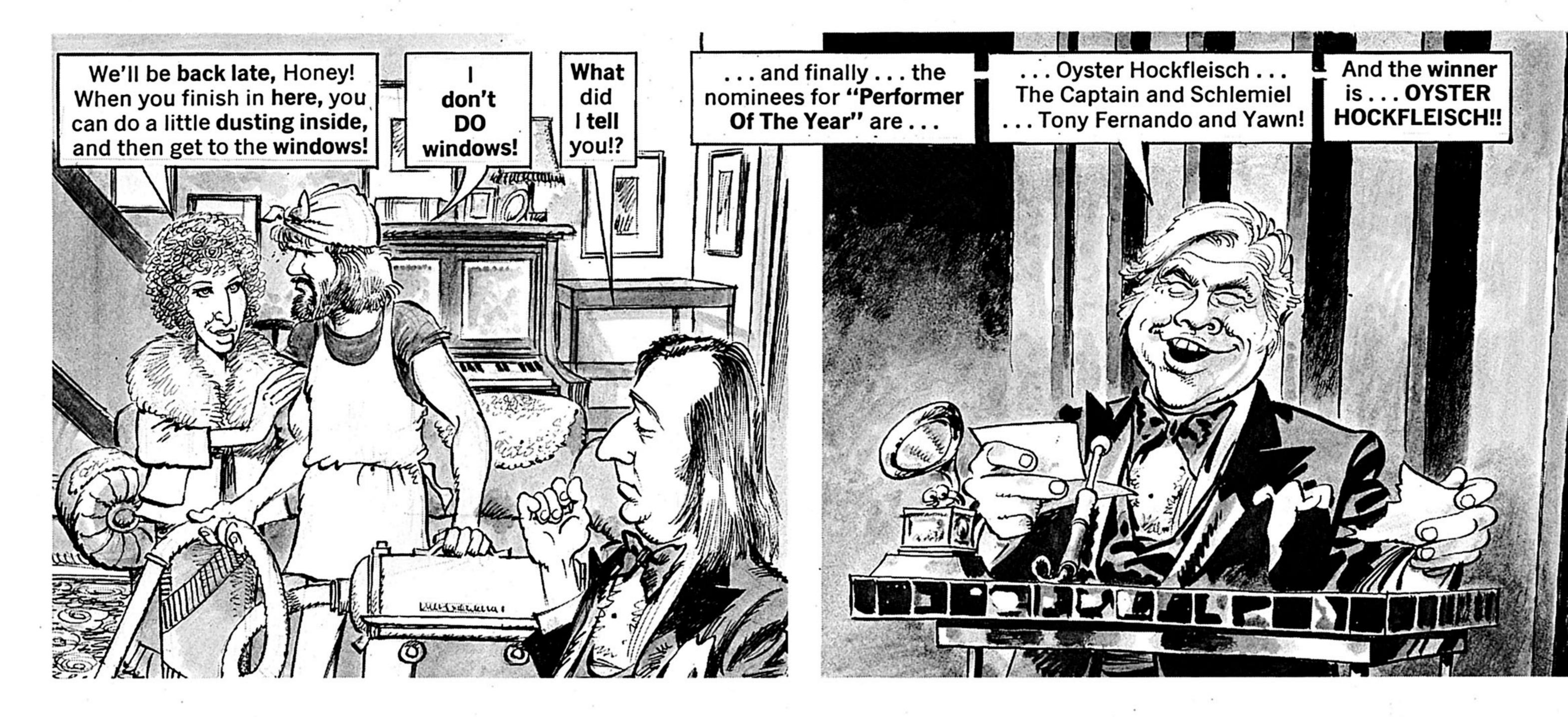


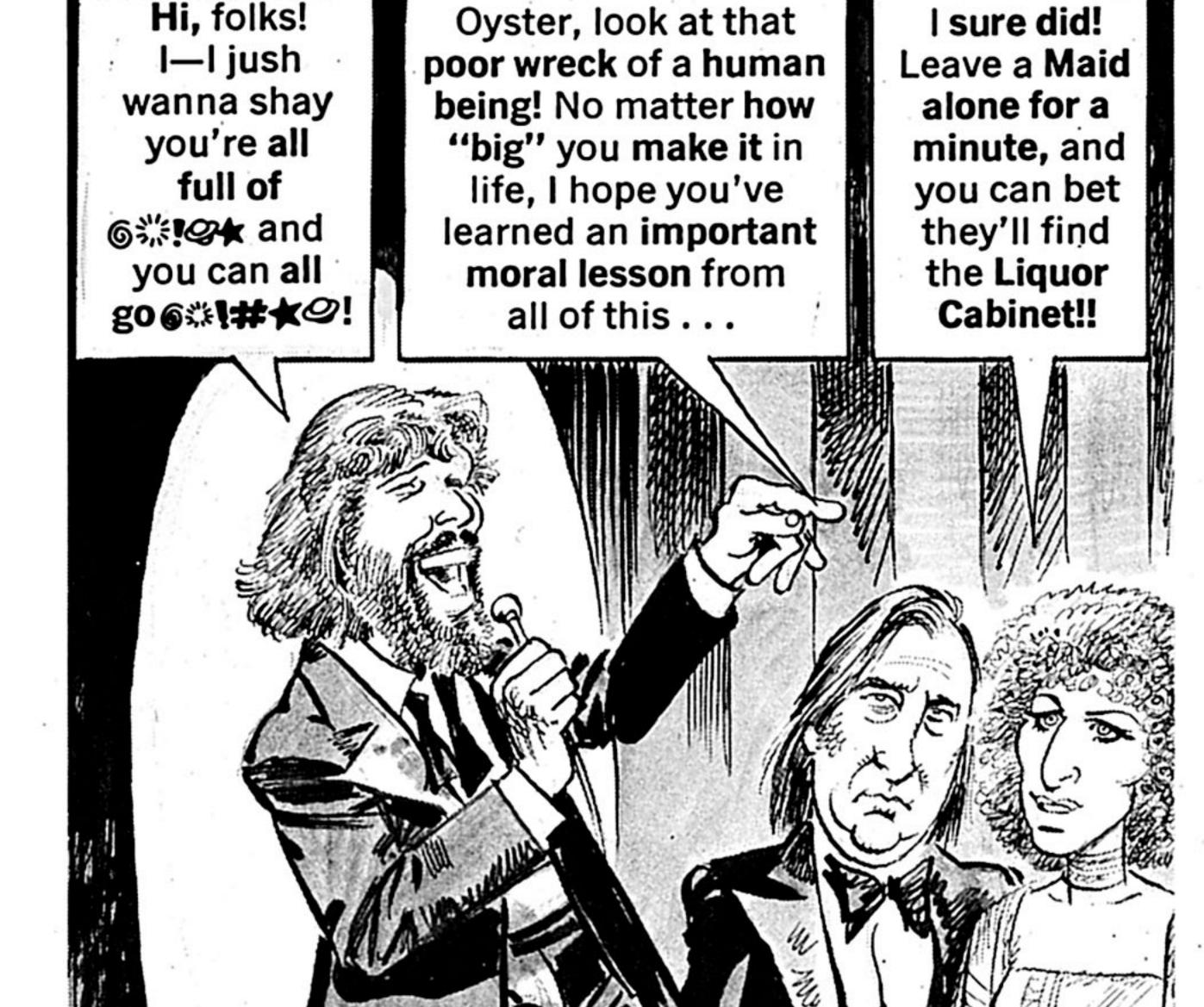












Jim's hit a new low, Brain! He's gotta make a comeback! You've got to find him a booking...a recording date ... ANYTHING!!

Well, I AM looking for singing insects in a new "Raid" commercial!

What?!? You don't put a man of Jim's stature in a chorus of singing insects! It's degrading!

You're right! Now, I'm not making any promises, understand . . . but there may be . . . repeat . . . MAY BE an opening for the LEAD COCKROACH . . . !!

Now you're talking!





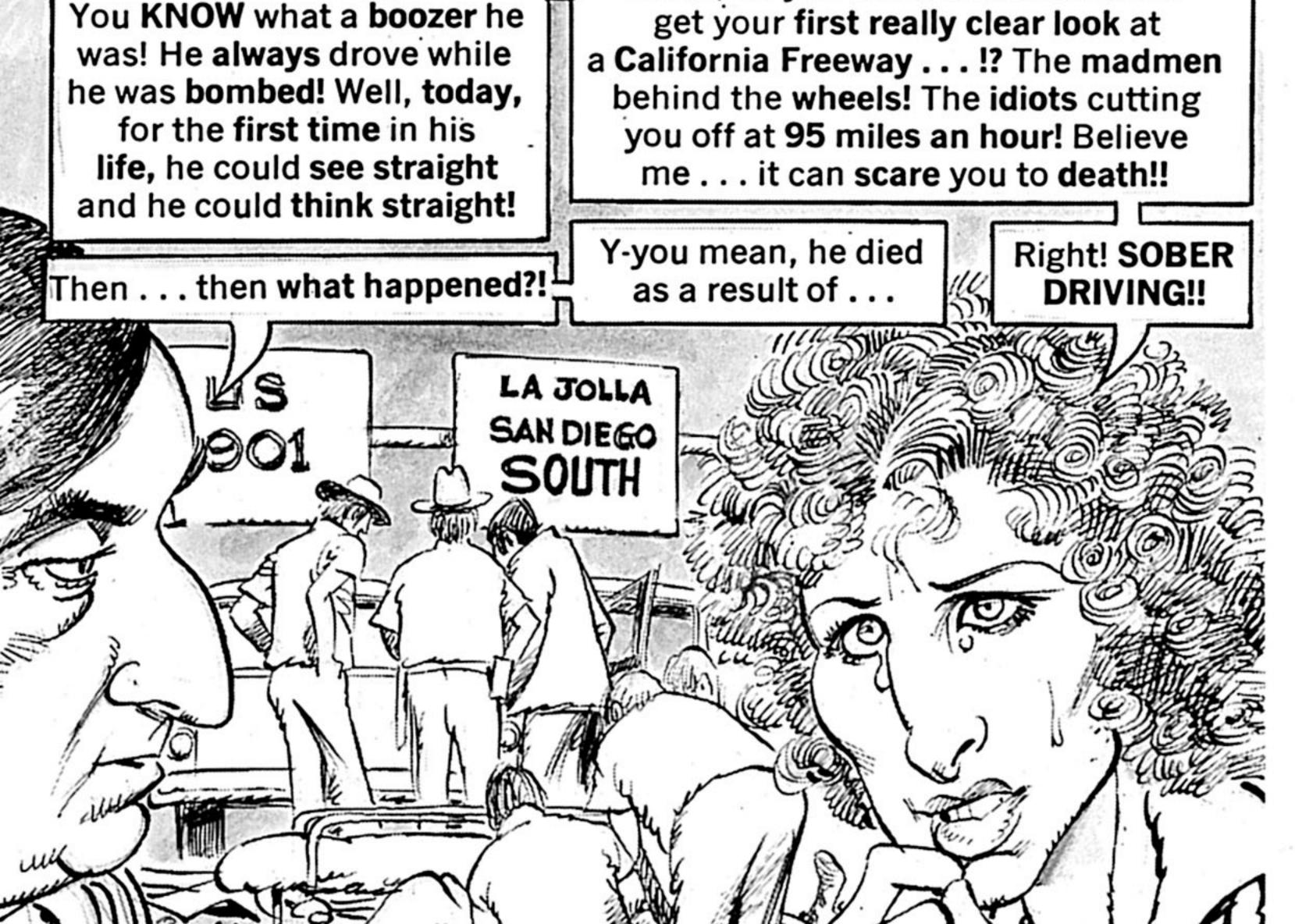




I warned him! I begged him!







Brain, do you know what it's like to

That great lady is up there . . . singing her heart out for a VERY WORTHY CAUSE!

What's she raising money for? The Heart Fund? Birth Defects? Hemophilia . . . ?

The American Economy! Ever since her Husband died a year ago, a pivotal section of our economy has been on the verge of BANKRUPTCY!

And what pivotal section of our economy is that . . . ?

The LIQUOR Industry!



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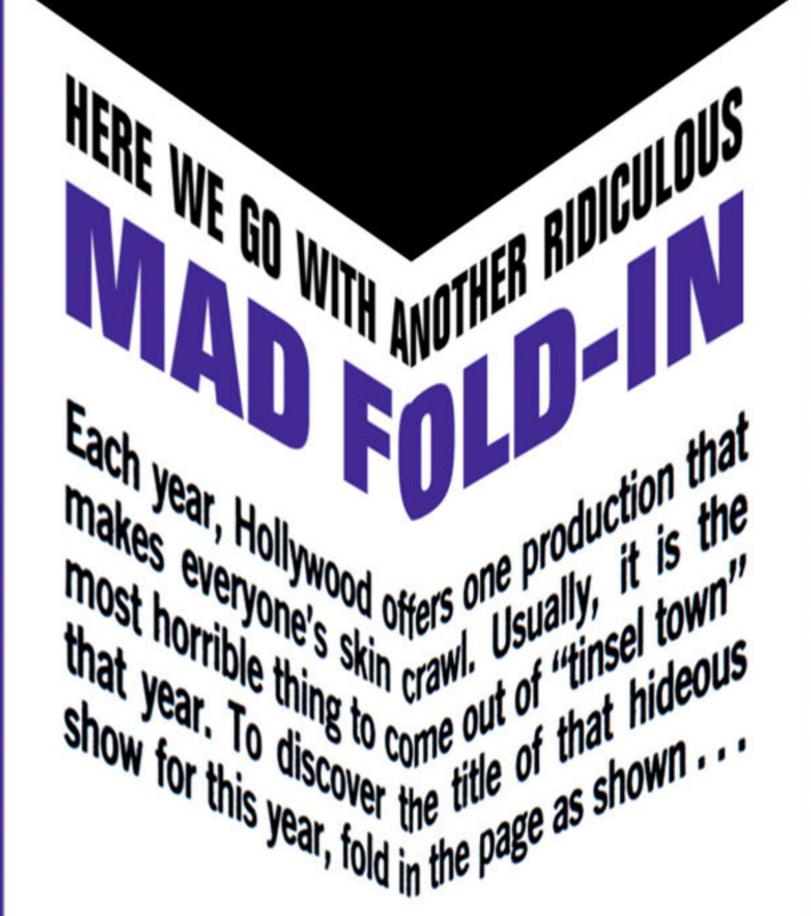


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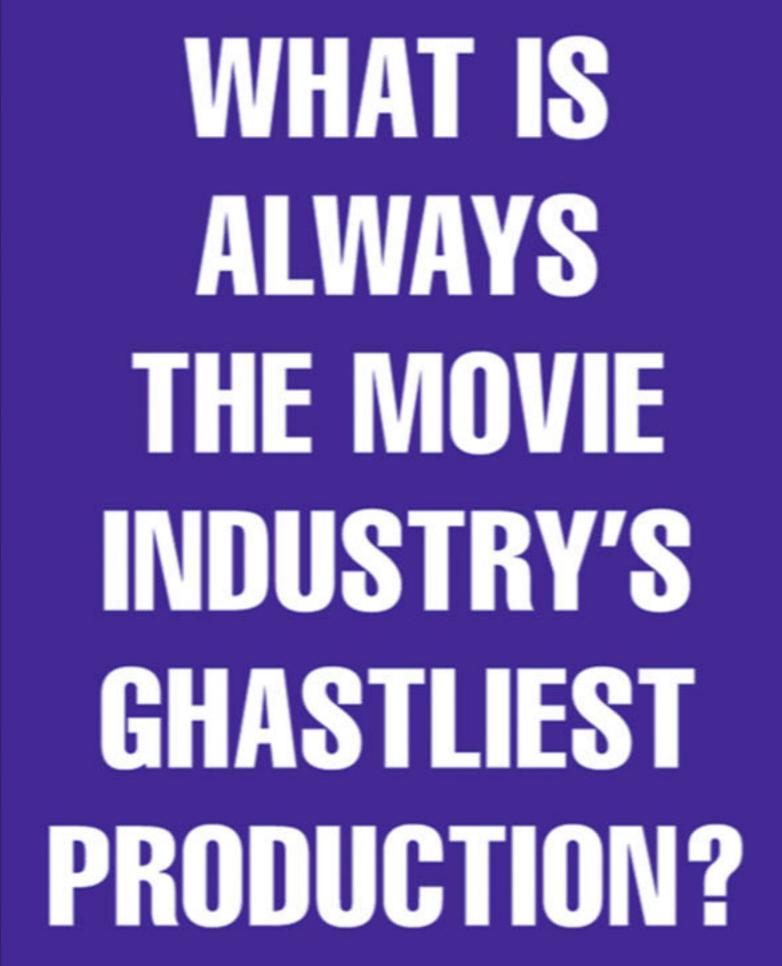
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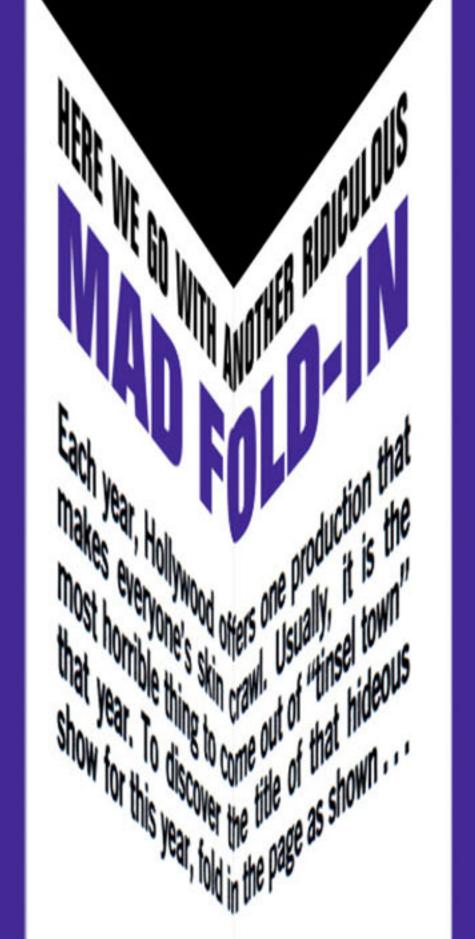
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